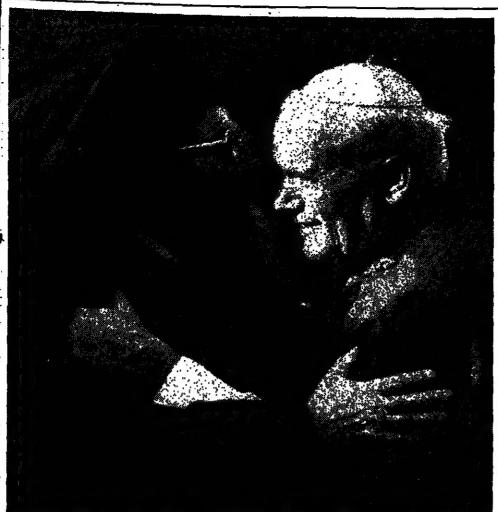
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POPE GREETS PATRIARCH — Pope John Paul II and Patriarch Dimitrios I of Constautinople on Thursday as the spiritual leader of the world's Orthodox Christians arrived at the Vatican for the fifth meeting between a pope and an Orthodox patriarch since 1854. They will make a statement Monday on efforts toward Christian unity.

# '79 Talks Helped Shape Treaty

of France; Chancellor Helmut

Schmidt of West Germany and

President Jimmy Carter. Zbigniew Brzezinski, Mr. Carter's national

security adviser, joined them in

sion to deploy new U.S. missiles unless the Soviet Union removed

set at the meeting: preventing the

The interviews confirmed the

far-reaching nature of decisions made in Guadeloupe. When the

North Atlantic Treaty Organiza-

tion in December 1979 formally

missiles unless the Soviet Union

scrapped its SS-20s, the alliance in

Equally clearly, the four leaders'

effect was adopting a package for-mulated earlier at Guadeloupe. with what is transpiring: maintain-ing the strategic equilibrium by de-

announced its plan to install new

its SS-20 missiles.

missile discussions.

By Joseph Fitchett International Herald Tribune

PARIS - Western heads of government who decided in 1979 at a summit meeting in Guadeloupe to deploy Pershing-2 and cruise missiles vigorously defend the proposed treaty that will scrap these weapons and similar Soviet mis-

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weapons and similar Soviet missiles.

Interviewed Thursday, the participants—except Mr. Carter, who But they are divided about was unavailable—agreed that the whether the policies that they set in pending treaty to eliminate intermotion nearly a decade ago have mediate-range nuclear forces was tightened trans-Atlantic solidarity. the logical outgrowth of their deci-

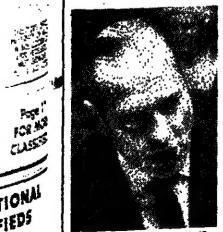
The Guadeloupe summit meeting was an informal two-day gathering of four leaders: Prime Minis-

#### Kiosk Senators Reject **Bahrain Missiles**

WASHINGTON (AP) -The Senate Appropriations Committee rejected pleas from the Reagan administration on Thursday and voted 16-11 to ban the sale of Stinger anti-aircraft missiles to Bahrain.

The vote came after Defense Secretary Frank C. Carlucci and Admiral William J. Crowe Jr., chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, appealed to the panel to reject the ban, which had been proposed by the committee's foreign aid subcommittee. They urged that the sale be permitted as a way of rewarding a U.S. ally in the Gulf.

The committee was working on a bill that includes \$12.2 billion in foreign aid and 5290 billion for military spending for the current fiscal year. It will go to the full Senate next week.



Prime Minister Jacques Chirac calling for a vote of confidence in the French National Assembly on Thursday, Page 6.

GENERAL NEWS

W.S. health officials announced blood testing in 30 major cities to measure the spread of AIDS. Page 3.

Seoul warned it would end talks with North Korea if it found proof it was involved in downing a jetliner.

BUSINESS/FINANCE

Orders for U.S. manufactured goods rose a strong 1.1 percent in October. Page 11.

Dow close: DOWN 72.44 The dollar in New York: DM £ Yen 1.6625 1.8035 132.75 5.651

#### **Berates** Pact Foes He Says Critics Perceive War As 'Inevitable'

By David Hoffman

Washington Post Service
WASHINGTON — President
Ronald Reagan said Thursday that
opponents of the proposed U.S.Soviet treaty to eliminate intermediate-range nuclear missiles "have accepted that war is inevitable" while he was attempting to "strive

for peace."

Mr. Reagan's remark, in an interview with television anchormen, was one of his harshest criticisms leveled at conservatives in his own party who have questioned the wisdom of the treaty Mr. Reagan in-tends to sign with Mikhail S. Gor-

bachev during their Washington summit meeting next week. Mr. Reagan said, "I think that some of the people who are object-ing the most and just refusing even to accode to the idea of ever getting any understanding, whether they realize it or not, those people basically down in their deepest thoughts - have accepted that war is inevitable and that there must come to be a war between the two

superpowers."

He added, "I think as long as you've got a chance to strive for peace, you strive for peace. But you don't have peace and surrender. And there's no way that we're go-

ing to surrender."

Mr. Reagan defended the missile treaty, saying, "I think this deal is different than anything that's ever ter James Callaghan of Britain; package was prepared amid expec-President Valery Giscard d'Estaing tations that the Soviet Union been attempted before in arms newould quickly agree to a disarma-ment deal. But Soviet leaders orgotiations between our two coundered the invasion of Afghanistan a

And he described Mr. Gorbachev as the first Soviet leader "that its plan, freezing negotiations on has ever expressed a willingness to intermediate-range missiles until eliminate weapons they already Mikhail S. Gorbachev agreed to

few days after NATO announced

ing the strategic equilibrium by de-

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mutual elimination.

Mr. Reagan acknowledged, how-Lord Callaghan recalled that ever that the treaty leaves the Sovi-"the stubbornness" of Andrei A. et Union with a "tremendous ad-Gromyko, then the Soviet foreign vantage" over the North Atlantic minister, made us deploy, and it Treaty Organization in conventionwas only when we had cards in our al, nonnuclear forces.

hand that the Soviets agreed to ne-Mr. Reagan's criticism of his its SS-20 missiles.

In that sense, they said, the treaty achieves the military goal they

achieves the military goal they

gotiate."

Although the end result was nine at because the president has attempted repeatedly in recent days "I take some satisfaction in seeing to demonstrate to treaty opponents Soviet Union from gaining an advantage based on the SS-20.

no reason to evaluate the problem that he has been tough in dealing differently than it was viewed at with the Soviets, including issuing a Guadeloupe. "I wanted to get rid of report this week charging Moscow the SS-20s, and subsequently I in- with new violations of the Antivented the zero-zero solution as op- Ballistic Missile Treaty of 1972.

timal," he said. By zero-zero he meant scrapping all intermediate-range missiles on both sides. In Moscow, the Soviet authorities issued a strong denial of the alleged violations, and the Tass In Mr. Brzezinski's view, "Our news agency sharply attacked Mr. intentions were quite in keeping Reagar

Earlier Thursday, Mr. Reagan had promised to press human See ARMS, Page 6



Karl Otto Pöhl, president of the Bundesbank, on Thursday as the West German central bank opted to cut its key rate.

West European central banks has strains within the EMS, particular-

European Community, both informally peg their currency rates to against dollar interest rates — the

The Japanese have not been in- Street to oversee their vast U.S.

way that Wall Street runs its busi-ness — at least for the present. surance Co. Earlier this year, Nip-pon Life Insurance Co. bought 13

those of the European Monetary Bundesbank makes it less attrac-

The Deutsche mark's strength

against the dollar has led to heavy

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ly against the French franc, one of

the weakest currencies, and has

To maintain the franc's parity against the mark, the Bank of France has been obliged to raise

domestic interest rates at a time

when slow domestic growth and high unemployment would have

By lowering West German inter-

Japan Treads Lightly on Wall Street

tween the two has proved to be But they see their moves more as a Co., a U.S. government securities

stalling their own employees at holdings, rather than an attempt to falling, and some U.S. firms need-American investment houses, nor grab a slice of Wall Street's profits

these deals may be forthcoming. Group Inc. sold a stake of up to 25 wouldn't be surprised to see many

they are not expected to change the percent to Yasuda Mutual Life In-more such deals coming up," said

way of buying the brains of Wall dealer.

or power.

Just this week, PaineWebber that this is just the beginning. "I

dictated a looser credit policy.

heightened political tensions.

tive to switch out of dollars into

marks. As the upward pressure on

the mark eases, so does the pressure

on the French to keep the franc

Early Thursday, the Deutsche

mark was quoted at 3,400 francs

ligned with the mark.

eration and Development.

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With the dollar and stock prices

By Carl Gewirtz

PARIS - Thursday's coordinat-

ed round of interest rate cuts by

less to do with arresting the dollar's

slide than it does with relieving

tensions in the European Monetary

System, several analysts agreed

The EMS is the fixed exchange-rate mechanism linking the Deut-

sche mark, the French, Belgian and

Luxembourg francs, the Italian lira, the Dutch guilder, the Danish

Britain, a European Community country that it not part of the EMS, and Switzerland, which is not in the

krone and the Irish pound.

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Thursday.

mal Herald Tribune

# Bundesbank Lowers Key Rate In Coordinated **European Cuts**

By Ferdinand Protzman and Warren Getler International Herald Tribune

FRANKFURT - The Bundesbank, West Germany's central bank, lowered its key interest rate Thursday to 2.5 percent from 3 percent as part of a surprise round of coordinated interest-rate reductions by leading West Euro-

The lower interest rates are intended to bolster the battered U.S. dollar and hasten a meeting of the seven leading industrial nations, known as the Group of Seven, at which a new agreement to stabilize exchange rates could be worked out, senior Frankfurt banking sources said.

Yet analysts agreed that political rather than economic factors were the driving force behind the rate action. In Washington, Treasury Secretary James A. Baker 3d said he was delighted by the cuts. He predicted they would pro-

mote economic growth in Europe and help correct Dollar Was Not the Main Worry world trade imbalances.

The Bundesbank's reduction was preceded by a lowering of British nterest rates and followed by cuts in key French, Swiss, Austrian, Dutch and Belgian interest rates. In London, Nigel Lawson, the British chancellor of the Exche-

#### The dollar rose. Page 17. But Wall Street was unimpressed, and the Dow industri-

but by late afternoon was down to 3.397 francs, below Wednesday's quote of 3.399 francs. al average fell 72.44. Page 12.

"The Germans were really wor-ried about the EMS," said Stephen Marris, an economist now based in the next task for the Group of Seven was to agree on a pact to stabi-Washington who formerly headed lize the dollar. the economics department at the The key thing that remains now Organization for Economic Coop-

is whether there will be an agree-ment on everybody's part to con-tribute to the stabilization of the Christopher Potts, economist for dollar," he said. "That is the critical Banque Indosuez in Paris, said that

At its regular biweekly meeting, the Bundesbank's policy-setting council lowered the West German discount rate to 2.5 percent, a re-cord low, while leaving the Lom-bard rate, a short-term lending rate By Leslie Wayne

New York Times Service

NEW YORK — For all of the money that it began to buy stakes in great abundance, and spending to buy stakes will be a spending to buy stakes in the submission of their capital, which they the submission of their capital, which they they capital the submission of their capital, which they they make a submission of their capital, which they they make a submission of their capital, which they they capital the submission of their capital, which they they capital the submission of their capital, which they they capital the submission of their capital, which they they capital the submission of their capital, which they they capital the submission of their capital, which they they capital the submission of their capital, which they they capital the submission of their capital, which they they capital the submission of their capital, which they they capital the submission of their capital, which they they capital the submission of their capital, which they they capital the submission of their capital, which they they capital the submission of their capital, which they they capital the submission of their capital, which they they capital the submission of their capital, which they they capital the submission of their capital, which they they capital the submission of their capital, which they they capital the submission of their capital, which they capital the submission of the capital the submission of their capital, which they capital the submission of the capital the submission o Street firms, the relationship be- savvy will make a perfect match. acquired Aubrey G. Lanston & West Germany's discount rate had been unchanged since January.

The meeting was chaired by the Bundesbank president, Karl Otto Pöhl, who is believed to have strongly supported the rate reduc-

"With the lowering of the dis-count rate, the Bundesbank is making allowance for the reduction of interest rates that was already under way," a Bundesbank statement said. "A furtherance of this loosening tendency is particularly indicated to contribute to a stabilization on the foreign exchange markets." Sources at the Bundesbank, the

had been coordinated. About an hour before the Bundesbank's action, the Bank of

the Japanese to look to American firms to obtain know-how and knowledge of these markets." Others agree that the Japanese are looking on Wall Street houses as any investor would. "They need a PaineWebber or a Shearson to help them look after their invest- England lowered its money market ments," said Peter Rona, chief ex- dealing rate by 0.50 percentage

Although these arrangements have not resulted in any meshing of Japanese and American operations, many on Wall Street fear that See FIRMS, Page 6

Toshio Mori, chief executive of Nikko Securities International, a subsidiary of one of Japan's four major investment firms, Nikko Securities Co. "It's quite natural for Bank of France and the other central banks involved said the cuts

ecutive of J. Henry Schroder Bank point to 8.375 percent, in what it & Trust Co., which is 98 percent-owned by Industrial Bank of Jasaid was a response to tightening monetary conditions brought about by uncertainties in financial

That move was followed immediately by news that Midland, Na-tional Westminster and Barclays the Japanese might use them to, banks had cut their base lending

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meet on Friday for the ceremonial signing of a joint statement con-cluding their first round of talks.

"This meeting has offered a new

formula for peace," he said. He

The statement may mark a

breakthrough in the long-stalled ef-

forts to end Vietnam's nine-year

On the first day of talks, Siha-

nouk and Mr. Hun Sen agreed to a

tentative four-point plan to end the

nouk issued a handwritten state-

ment outlining Phnom Penh's

pledge to secure the withdrawal of

Vietnamese troops once a settle-

He said Mr. Hun Sen had given a

personal assurance that Hanoi was

In a separate statement, the

prince said that he warned Mr.

committed to total withdrawal.

ment had been reached.

Before the second meeting, Siha-

declined to give details.

occupation of Cambodia.

fighting.

# In Korea, Candidates Switching Sales Pitches to TV

By Clyde Haberman

New York Times Service SEOUL — South Korea's presidential campaign entered a new and potentially decisive phase as candidates went on television this week for the first time to appeal for

It was difficult to gauge the effect of the broadcasts, for South Korea has limited experience with genuine presidential elections, let alone with the local equivalent of a media blitz.

But with only two weeks to go until Election Day, not one of the major candidates is able to prove that he has broken away from the pack using usual campaign techniques. And so, some experts say, the advent of television may be conclusive, especially among the 30 percent of the electorate widely believed to be undecided.

"It will affect the middle class. most of all," said Suh Chung Woo, a professor of mass communication at Yonsei University in Seoul. The candidates drew lots to de-

termine the order and time of their television appearances. It fell to the government party candidate, Roh Tae Woo, to go first. Kim Dae Jung, an opposition leader, fol-

Two other major contenders, Kim Young Sam and Kim Jong Pil, were given the next time slots, followed by three minor candidates. Neither Mr. Roh nor Kim Dae Jung broke new ground in his 20-minute speech. But their appearances were the first in which South Koreans running for high office could talk to the entire country at

It has been 16 years since the last real presidential election, and the number of television sets then was about 600,000. Now, virtually every one of South Korea's nine million households has at least one set, testament to the country's rapid

economic progress. Under the election rules, all candidates may appear on the statecontrolled networks five times once free and the other four times for a fee of about \$65,000 each.

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In Seoul, voters studying official presidential campaign posters that were pasted up for the first time on Thursday.

# For Chilean Actors, Drama in Opposition

By Shirley Christian

New York Times Service

SANTIAGO — Through more than 14
years of military rule, many of Chile's theater
groups have been islands of criticism and

opposition.

Even in the middle and late 1970s, before much of the press began to show signs of independence from the regime of General Augusto Pinochet, the political situation was being examined with a mixture of bitterness. pathos and humor in a dozen or so small heaters around Santiago.

That tradition, some actors and directors say, is why 78 of them recently received written death threats. They were accused of being "spearheads of international Marx-

Monday was the deadline set by a group calling itself Command 135 of the Trizano

people to leave the country.
Instead, they have promised to stay and, despite the warning to keep quiet, have made the threats known publicly along with their

Actors from three continents came to Chile in support of the threatened theater people. Hundreds of others sent messages of support. As the deadline neared, the visitors and the threatened group shared the makeshift stage of a warehouse that had been converted into a

About 2,000 supporters, some perched on rafters, listened to the music and the speeches as several hundred others jostled outside with police officers and the organizers, who said

the building would hold no more. The Pinochet government has not commented on the threats, and the theater people

Cultural Action Pacification for the theater have not publicly accused the regime of re-

But it is generally assumed that Trizano the meaning of the word is not clear - is a rightist extremist group of the types that, in the past anyway, have had ties to government intelligence groups.

When a visiting Spanish actor, German Cobos, said that he considered the threats "a form of state terrorism," some of the Chilean actors applauded.

The government tried to block the plans for the solidarity performance, which had been scheduled for a gymnasium owned by the basketball federation. At the last minute it said the gymnasium could not be used for a nonsports event.

Leaders of the actors' union who had planned the show learned of the decision See CHILE, Page 6

## Sihanouk and Hun Sen **Devise Peace Formula**

FERE-EN-TARDENOIS, France - Prince Norodom Sihanouk and Prime Minister Hun Sen of Cambodia held a second round of talks Thursday and said they had agreed on the outline of a new formula to end the civil war in their nation.

"We have settled certain issues," said Mr. Hun Sen. 36, prime minister in the Vietnamese-backed government. "This is an important basis on which to reach a real settlement."

Mr. Hun Sen was speaking on the second day of talks in this small French village with Prince Siha-nouk, 65, the former Cambodian head of state, who speaks for a coalition of three guerrilla groups fighting the government in Phnom

The prince said before the meeting Thursday that Mr. Hun Sen had vowed that Vietnam would be ready to remove its troops from Cambodia as early as 1988 if the fight Vietnam's troops until its guerrilla forces could make peace complete withdrawal. with the government.

the proceedings had been "an addition to the success of yesterday." Sibanouk's son, Prince Ranariddh, said the two leaders would

Hun Sen that his guerrillas along the Thai border would continue to Sihanouk said that he had reject-

Mr. Hun Sen, in high spirits as he ed an offer to return to a govern-emerged from the talks, said that ment post. "I would rather die in ment post. "I would rather die in Beijing or Pyongyang than be a puppet president in Phnom Penh, a stooge of Hanoi," he said. (AP.

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# Moscow Weekly Prints Long-Suppressed Letter

MOSCOW - A Moscow journal published a long-sup-pressed letter on Thursday in which the Bolshevik economist Nikolai I. Bukharin called on future Soviet leaders to clear the names of the victims of Stalin's purges. Bukharin, who was executed

in 1938, destroyed the original, but his widow memorized the letter at his command. It recounts his feeling of "helpless-ness in the face of a hellish

Addressed to "A Future Generation of Soviet Leaders." it appeared in almost complete form in an article on Bukharin in the weekly Moscow News, which has been at the forefront

of a campaign for more open discussion of Soviet history. Although the Soviet leader, Mikhail S. Gorbachev, made a positive reference to Bukharin in a speech last month, the Marxist theoretician has not been formally exonerated of the charge of having been "an enemy of the people." Bukharin's letter had long

been known in the West, but its existence was not revealed to the Soviet public until an interview with his widow published last weekend by another Mos-cow journal.

"I feel my helplessness in the face of a hellish machine that, probably using medieval methods, possesses gigantic strength. fabricates organized slander and behaves boldly and full of confidence," Bukharin wrote.

"Any member of the Central Committee, any ordinary party member could be swept away, turned into a traitor, a terrorist a saboteur or a spy."

Bukharin, a close colleague

of Lenin, was accused in 1938 of setting up an anti-Soviet group in league with Nazis, Western imperialists and other disgraced former revolutionary chiefs, including the exiled

He said he was addressing his letter to future leaders because "in your historical mission will be the task of unraveling the monstrous web of crimes which in these terrible days are like a flame" that he feared was "smothering the Party."
He added: "I appeal to all members of the Party. In what

may be the last days of my life I am sure that the filter of history will sooner or later wipe the filth from my head."
"You must know, comrades, that on the banner you will car-ry on your triumphal march to-



By Clyde H. Farnsworth New York Times Service

WASHINGTON - The Soviet Union has borrowed \$6 billion from Western banks in the last two years to cover shortages of hard currency caused by a weak dollar and declining world oil prices, ac-cording to Central Intelligence Agency studies and other reports.

Strains on the Soviet economy from unfavorable international forces, internal blockages and military demands were detailed in two volumes published by the Joint Economic Committee of Congress. One of the main conclusions was

that the Soviet military has gone along with economic changes or-dered by Mikhail S. Gorbachev, the Soviet leader, because it would be worse off with a backward econo-

"In effect, the Soviet Union finds itself racing in an outer lane of a circular track while its adversary has the advantage of an inner lane," said one of the authors of the documents, Abraham S. Becker, a Soviet specialist with the Rand Corp., a research institute. Shelley Deutch, a CIA analyst,

said the building of weapons ab-sorbs 7 percent to 8 percent of the Soviet Union's gross national product - two to three times higher than in the United States.

store public attention to Russian

time being the cultural fund was mostly interested in donations of

Russian art that was overseas, primarily because the foundation had little money. The foundation is supported by benefit concerts and

voluntary donations, including, Mr. Myasnikov said, a \$100,000

contribution from the American in-

ed for ideological reasons.

higher economic growth in the ness in petroleum prices has result-years ahead, the Kremlin's objected in the Soviet Union's having tives were unlikely to be met.

But they added that domestic arms control pacts, such as the one

"More of the resources that otherwise would have gone to defense will be available to keep the modernization effort affeat and to bolster consumer programs," said Robert E. Leggett, a CIA analyst. Changes under Mr. Gorbachev

include plans to decentralize ecoomy, partly decontrol prices, re-duce or eliminate subsidies and reduce the size of the bureaucracy.

Other documents and tables in the study, in which more than 50 government and private analysts participated, show how the Soviet Union has been weakened by the declines in the price of oil and the value of the dollar. This underworld economy, several analysis

Petroleum exports account for half of the Soviet Union's hardcurrency earnings but have to be

though Mr. Gorbachev's changes set in dollars to conform to interna-were likely to provide somewhat tional business practice. The weaktheir siege and put the document up for a vote by all the prisoners.

The Cuban inmates rioted Nov. 23, burning prison buildings at seizing hostages after Havana agreed to repatriate about 2.500 undesirables who went to the United States in the 1980 Mariel boatlift. fewer dollars. points," a Justice Department spokesman, Patrick Korten, said of the six. Cuban negotiators. "We have no idea at this stage whether the agreement will be approved." He would not reveal details of the agreement.

In the early 1980s, Moscow was political fallout could be limited by running a hard-currency trade sur-arms control pacts, such as the one plus of more than \$4 billion a year. Mr. Gorbachev and President Ron-ald Reagan are expected to sign next week in Washington.

But according to CIA figures, the surplus shrank to \$534 million in 1985 despite a 6 percent decline in imports.

The collapse in world oil prices last year resulted in further cuts in both Soviet imports and exports, although imports fell further, allowing Moscow to push its surplus above \$2 billion.

Joan F. McIntyre, a CIA analyst, nomic decision-making increase said, "With few prospects for sig-the autonomy of enterprises, enlarge the scope of the private econ- price of oil for the next severa years, Moscow will have to deal with reduced earnings through the remainder of the decade,"

In addition, the Soviet Union has vast gold holdings, which Moscow rarely mentions.

The CIA placed the value of Soviet gold reserves at \$30 billion on the basis of a \$400-an-onnee market price in early 1987. Market scored the Russians' stake in the prices now are closer to \$500 an

After oil earnings began declin-ing in 1985 the Soviet Union compensated by increasing its sales of gold for hard currency, according to the CIA, to almost 200 tons in 1985 and more than 300 tons in 1986. Between 1982 and 1984, when Moscow had less need for extra cash, gold sales averaged less than 100 tons a year.

icon from the Cathedral of St. So-phia in Novgorod. The huge foreign borrowings by Moscow over the last two years — \$6 billion from Western banks and a total \$15.5 billion from government and private creditors — lifted the gross debt of the Soviet Union to \$38.2 billion at the end of 1986. the CIA data showed.

But the Soviet Union operates its own banks in the West and also keeps balances in many Western banks. Their total financial assets in the West were placed at \$15 billion, giving them a net debt of \$23.2 billion at the end of 1986.

In weighing the Soviet debt posi-tion, Mr. McIntyre did not include \$25 billion in hard currency that the Soviet Union itself is owed by Third World borrowers.

"The value of this debt is problematic," the CIA analyst said,
"since a considerable portion is
owed by clients who will probably
be unable to repay their debts in a
timely fashion."

the destabilization of Southeast

about this trial, and foreign diplo-

mats in the region who have been

following events since the attempt-

ed invasion of central Vietnam, say

that Hanoi may intend to send a

variety of messages and warnings.

Internally, the proceedings and

the sentences meted out to the

young men - most in their 20s - tells the country's restive youth

dealt with harshly. The trial follows

repeated newspaper articles about

Vietnamese capital of Saigon,

whose name was changed to Ho Chi Minh City after the fall of the south in 1975. The city has always been held in suspicion by Hanoi's

The government may have also wanted to deter would-be exiles

from fleeing to Thailand by repeat-

edly describing refugee camps

there as places of terror, hard labor

and, incongruously, debauchery. Boat people are fleeing Vietnam in

higher numbers this year than at any time since the early 1980s.

Finally, the trial coincides — many diplomats think deliberately — with a much-publicized Viet-

Prince Norodom Sihanouk.

bardliners.

Those Vietnamese who will talk

opposition members of parliament and government critics, for allegedly threatening security. Four newspapers were ordered shut.

The new changes, criticized by journalists and opposition members of Parliament, provide for jail terms of up to three years and fines of up to \$8,000 for "malicious" publication of false news. The home affairs minister will have wide powers, including the right to stop distribution of any local or foreign publication. The minister's power to withdraw a newspaper's permit cannot be challenged in court.

Malaysia Tightening Press Laws

#### Manila Drops Australian's Expulsion

WORLD BRIEFS

"This is the first time we have ever gotten agreement from all six on all

Draw Ends 19th Game in Chess Match

SEVILLE, Spain (AP) — The resumed 19th game of the world chess championship between the champion, Garri Kasparov, and his challenger, Anatoli Karpov, ended in a draw Thursday after 62 moves.

With five games remaining, the score is even at 9.5-9.5. Mr. Kasparov retains the advantage in the 24-game series, because in the event of a 12-12 tie he will keep the title.

12 tie, he will keep the title. Each player has scored three victories with 13 games drawn. The 20th game is scheduled for Friday with Mr. Kasparov playing white.

KUALA LUMPUR, Malaysia (AFP) — Prime Minister Mahathir bi. Mohamad introduced amendments Thursday tightening the country's already strict press laws, saying the changes were intended to ensure that nothing jeopardized Malaysia's stability and development.

The move followed the October arrests of 106 people, many of them opposition members of parliament and comproment critics for allegedly

opposition members of parliament and government critics, for allegedly

MANILA (Reuters) - Foreign Minister Raul Manglapus, reversing a decision by the government, said Thursday be would not expel an Australian journalist accused of maligning the administration of President Corazon C. Aquino. However, the status of the reporter, Michael Byrnes, remained con-"He is free," Mr. Manglapus

said. "He is not going home."
Asked if the case against Mr.
Byrnes was being investigated, Mr.
Manglapus replied, "We already
have that's why he's staying. There is no deportation.

The expulsion order, which also barred Mr. Byrnes from returning under any category, was issued Wednesday, lifted briefly later in the day, and then reimposed. The situation is "ambiguous," said Mr. Byrnes, a correspondent for the Australian Financial Review. "As



## Nazis' 'Forgotten Victims' to Be Paid

BONN (AP) — "Forgotten victims" of Nazism will receive a total of up to 300 million Deutsche marks (\$180 million) under legislation approved

Thursday by the West German partiament.

The Bundestag voted to provide at least 50 million DM in the 1988 budget as a first installment to the so-called forgotten victims, such as Gypsies, homosexnals, Communists and the victims of forced labor and medical experiments.

Bonn has paid millions of marks over the years in compensation for Medical experiments. Nazi atrocities. Gypsies and other groups have protested that they have not received enough assistance.

#### For the Record

More than 6,000 British postal workers defied their union and con and a 24-hour strike Thursday as talks resumed to try to avoid a Christmas mail strike. The workers want a shorter working week. (AP) Italy issued warrants Thursday for two men described as members of the extremist Japanese Red Army for attacks on the U.S. and British embassies in Rome on June 9. No one was injured in the attacks, which took place as the leaders of seven industrialized nations were meeting in

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repeated newspaper articles about "negative phenomena" among the young.

The sentences also make clear that in an era of some economic liberalization under a new party leadership, political opposition cannot and will not be tolerated.

Observers note that the proceedings took place in the former South Vision and South of Salary and build an additional terminal on the Spanish ide of the border. But the chief minister of Gibraltar, Sir Joshua Hassan, said he would not use his majority to push the agreement through the colony's assembly. his majority to push the agreement through the colony's assembly.

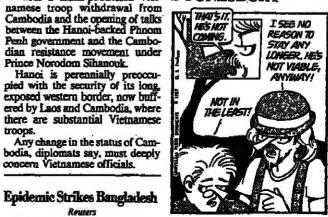
Sir Geoffrey said Spain would drop its objections to EC plans for cheaper air fares and would sign the Community Air Transport Directive in Brussels next week. Both sides said their claims of sovereignty over

Gibraltar were not affected by the agreement.

Pilots of the state-run Philippine Airlines have suspended "in the interest of the republic" a planned strike over pay that had threatened to paralyze the airline's international and domestic operations starting next week, it was announced Thursday in Manila

American Airlines had the best on-time arrival record and Pacific Southwest the worst in the latest monthly government report on the nation's 14 largest airlines. The Transportation Department said in its October report, issued Wednesday, that American, which also came on on top in September, was 86.1-percent on time.

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methods. possesses gigantic

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#### ward communism there will be my drop of blood also." — Nikolai Bukharin Other CIA experts said that, al-Russians Quietly Try to Recover Works of Art From Abroad

By Bill Keller New York Times Service
MOSCOW — The Soviet Union has begun discussions with international auction houses in a quiet effort to bring home Russian works of art that have been sold or stolen since the Bolshevik Revolution.



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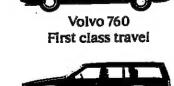
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the latest move in a growing cam-paign to preserve and highlight Delegations from the two largest

international auction firms, Christie's and Sotheby's, have met with Moscow officials at the invitation of the Soviet Cultural Foundation to discuss Soviet interest in "repatriation" of works stolen by the Germans during World War II and works sold by the government to obtain foreign currency.

Christopher M. Davidge, a managing director of Christie's who was part of a delegation that left Moscow on Sunday, said in Lon-don this week that Soviet officials had discussed no specific works of art and gave no indication of how much they were willing to spend in
the effort to reclaim their heritage.

Gorbachev, the wife of the Soviet
leader, is a secretary of the founda-"It's not clear what they want to tion's board.

Human rights leaders, mean-while, denounced a junta order that

they form a new Electoral Council. The original council was ordered to

disband after violence led to the

cancellation of elections last Sun-

ask for the intervention of a multi-

elections and guarantee security," said Mr. Claude, candidate of the

Christian Democratic Party, speak-

He recommended that the Orga-nization of American States or the

United Nations organize a nonmil-

After the election was canceled.

the junta, under growing political pressure, said a new council should

Jean-Claude Bajeux, head of the

Bishop's Center for Human Rights,

pointed out that the old council

appointed the nine original council

De to reporters.

tary observer force.

Candidate Urges Strike

To Depose Junta in Haiti

Compiled by Our Staff From Disputches President Jean-Claude Duvalier

leading presidential candidate, Sylvio Claude, called Thursday for a national Assembly, which would nationwide strike, beginning Friday and continuing until Hait's military-dominated junta resigns.

Human rights leaders mean

"If the junta does not resign, we Jean Bosco in Port-au-Prince,

national observer force to supervise overthrow the junta, Radio Métro-

be named by Thursday night and shaken by the U.S. suspension of should immediately begin planning all but humanitarian expension of new elections.

was mandated by the constitution in Washington, the chairman of to exist until Feb. 7. The center is the House of Representatives' For-

one of the human rights groups that eign Affairs Committee has called

The Electoral Council refused to States should promptly move to

disband and declared void any recognize a government in Haiti elections organized by the National which has the support and confi-Government Council, the three-dence of the Haitian people," said

man junta led by Lieutenant Gen- the chairman, Dante B. Fascell,

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eral Henri Namphy. The junta has Democrat of Florida.

pole said.

PORT-AU-PRINCE, Haiti — A fled the country

The talks, believed to be the first buy," he said. "They talk of gaps in formal contacts with the international art market in 17 years, are if this is prerevolution or postrevo-preserve historic buildings and relution. Soviet officials played down artists whose work has been slight-

their overtures to the auction houses, saying they are interested primarily in donations of lost works, not in plunging into the high-priced world art market.

Georgi V. Myasnikov, an official of the cultural foundation, confirmed that auction house representatives had visited Moscow but implored reporters not to write that the Soviet Union planned to start an art shopping spree.
"The prices will go up 10 times,"
Mr. Myasnikov said. "Don't panic

The Soviet Cultural Foundation was set up a year ago as a promi-nent public organization to promote cultural preservation. Raisa

Also Thursday, a popular Ro-man Catholic priest was quoted as

Father Jean Bertrand Aristide, whose criticism of the junta draws large crowds at the Church of Saint

called for a "real revolution" to

Haitians familiar with the junta's

efforts to form a new Electoral

Council said there was growing ap-

prehension in the government about the possibility of civil strife. There was also said to be anxiety

about reports from the United

States of calls for U.S. military in-

and reports that the World Bank and the International Monetary

Fund had decided to suspend mil-

on the junta to resign immediately.

If it does not do so, "the United

(AP. NYT)

lions of dollars in loans as well.

calling for a revolution.

dustrialist Armand Hammer. "It is our aim to bring back to our motherland the values which left our country in the past," he said. "But for the time being, we have no plans to go into the inter-

national market." Last month, Blanchette Rockefeller, the widow of John D. Rockefeller 3d, returned a 16th-century

Anglican Article Criticizes Runcie

As Weak on Issues

in dealing with controversial top-ics. The attack was seen in the Brit-

The criticism by an anonymous

reference book published by the commissioners and Central Board

of Finance of the Church of En-

gland, of which Archbishop Runcie

"taking the line of least resistance

on each issue." It said he preferred

as close associates "men who have

nothing to prevent them following what they think is the wish of the

majority at the moment" and "men

of liberal disposition with a moder-

ately Catholic style which is not

taken to the point of having firm

A spokesman for the archbishop

said there would be no comment.

The Church of England has recen!-

ly been debating such sensitive is-

sues as homosexuality in the clergy

and whether women should be or-

Elba Convict Gets

LIVORNO, Italy --- A convicted

neo-fascist murderer, Mario Tuti,

was sentenced to an additional 14

ears and two months in prison on

Thursday for his part in the seven-

day prison hostage seizure on the island of Elba.

The court also fined him two

million lire (\$1,600). Mr. Tuti, 40, and five other con-

victs held 21 staff members hostage

them. The convicts surrendered af-

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Western art experts said it was Mr. Myasnikov said that for the

probable that if the Soviet Union began to buy back art, it would be especially interested in painters of the 18th and 19th centuries and 20th-century modern art that was shunned in the Stalin years. Other treasures of Russian cul-

ture that are better represented in Western collections than in the Soviet Union include Fabergé eggs and Napoleonic era furniture that Soviet officials might want to use in furnishing czarist palaces now be-

Mr. Davidge said the Soviet Union had close relations with international dealers in the late 1960s, usually for selling icons, porcelain and other items to Western buyers. The contacts broke off in 1971, he said, when the government decided to begin protecting

# 17 Sentenced as Hanoi Blames U.S. in Invasion

By Barbara Crossette

LONDON — Robert Runcie, the archbishop of Canterbury, was HO CHI MINH CITY - The accused Thursday by an official Anglican publication of weakness government on Thursday sen-tenced one man to life imprisonment and 16 others to terms of three to 19 years on charges of ish press as a crisis of confidence in attempting to invade Vietnam through Laos with a guerrilla force. An eighteenth defendant was writer came in the latest edition of

placed on probation. Crockford's Clerical Directory, a The three-day trial, conducted with maximum publicity on the stage of the municipal theater here, turned into an unexpected, sustained attack on the United States The article charged him with and Thailand at a time when Vietnam is trying to improve relations with both countries.

Uncharacteristically, China — usually linked to Thailand and the United States as the third partner in an anti-Vietnamese clique was not mentioned as a supporter of the rebel organization, identified by the Vietnamese as the Armed orces of Resistance.

The leader of the guerrillas was reported to be a former South Vietnamese admiral, Hoang Co Minh, who became a U.S. citizen a few years ago. Hanoi says that Mr. Minh was killed in Laos in August, along with most of his lieutenants, when his 200-man force was appre-

Obviously, the U.S. imperialists are the mastermind, the inciter and supporter of Hoang Co Minh and his followers," the indictment said. The only evidence offered was a picture of Mr. Minh meeting a U.S. general in Tokyo, possibly in 1982.

At the trial, the presiding judge, Tran Tuan Sy, called the Thais "the implementing agents of the Ameri-can reactionaries." The indictment

and court testimony held that Thailand had armed, trained and re-cruited resistance fighters from refugee camps where Vietnamese exiles were "starved and beaten." Bangkok-based reporters in in the Porto Azzurro prison in Sep-Vietnam for the trial could not retember. They tied several to the bars, soaked them with gasoline vietnamese refuges, who are visitand alcohol and threatened to burn and alcohol and alc call such charges of abuse from The United States and Vietnam

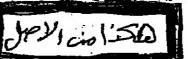
do not have diplomatic relations. No U.S. officials were reachable Judge Sy demanded the deportation from the United States of the remaining rebel ringleader, identi-fied as Nguyen Kim.

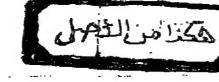
Any change in the status of Cam-bodia, diplomats say, must deeply concern Vietnamese officials. Epidemic Strikes Bangladesh

DHAKA, Bangladesh - A diarrhea epidemic caused by contamiwater and rotten food has He also said that the Thai and killed nearly 100 Bangladeshi and U.S. governments should dissolve infected 1,000 others in the past this and other resistance groups two weeks, health officials said now or "bear the responsibility for Thursday.

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## Japan Not to **EC Warns** Favor U.S. On Trade

TOKYO — The European Community reiterated Thursday a same in Chesily warning to Tokyo to stop what European officials see as favoring the United States over Europe on

"We are absolutely against dis-crimination which favors the United States over our own interests," said Willy De Clerce, EC commissioner for external relations and trade policy.

"With Japan daily becoming more dependent on the EC market, which is worth 50 percent of the United States market to Japan," he said, "this is a dangerous attitude for the Japanese authorities to

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Mr. De Clercq is in Tokyo until
Saturday for talks with government
leaders, including Prime Minister
Noboru Takeshita, who succeeded Yasuhiro Nakasone last month.

The EC official also warned Japan that moves to divert its exports to the EC away from ever-lessprofitable dollar markets could cause a backlash in Europe unless matched by visible Japanese market-opening measures.

EC fell 2.8 percent in yen terms in the first 10 months of 1987, after taking into account the extraordinary impact of large gold imports

While imports from the EC in October alone, minus the gold fac-tor, rose 19.3 percent from October 1986, Japanese exports to the community rose 6.3 percent, according

to EC figures.

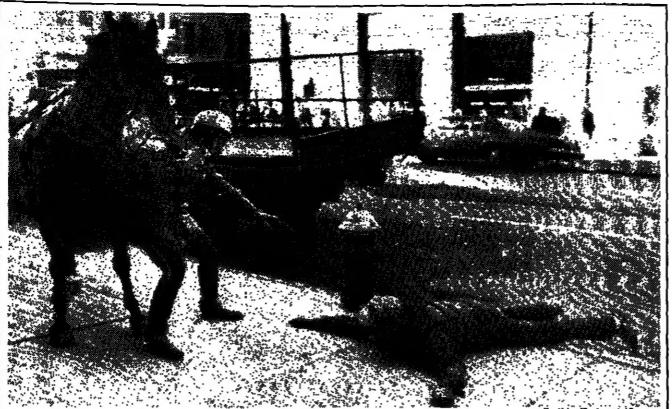
Mr. De Clercq demanded that Japan move quickly to revise its liquor tax system and act on a ruling last month by the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade that it discriminated against imported alcohol.

"We expect from the Japanese government the full, complete implementation of the GATT ruling —full complete and speedy, which means it is not conceivable to link an international ruling to any form of domestic reform," he said.

Japanese Finance Ministry officials have said they were moving toward revising the liquor tax as part of a sweeping tax reform package that is not expected to take House staff and as too low by some effect until April I, 1989.

House staff and as too low by some AIDS experts.

Meanwhile, Prime Minister Bob Hawke of Australia warned Japan on Thursday not to make two-way trade deals with the United States at the expense of Australia or other



mounted policeman, Richard Serrentino, arresting a mur-der suspect in Manhattan after galloping down Broadway on Joseph Gooden, 25, who was accused of having killed a security guard at a department store moments before.

CALLING OUT THE CAVALRY - A New York City to capture the man. The police said two knives were found

"It's not spreading like wildfire,"

Homosexual men, intravenous

drug users and their sexual partners

have accounted for most of the

Atlanta. Federal officials project

that 270,000 Americans will devel-

op the disease by the end of 1991, almost all of them people who already are infected with the virus.

The report to the White House

said that health officials hoped to

conduct a "family of surveys" in

the 20 top metropolitan areas, con-

taining 25 percent of the popula-

tion and 75 percent of the reported

AIDS cases, and in 10 other cities

with moderate to low prevalence of

under control.

# Japan's trade surplus with the C fell 2.8 percent in ven terms in

By Philip M. Boffey New York Times Service

WASHINGTON — Federal health officials announced would be collected in 30 major cities in an effort to determine how far and fast the AIDS virus was

spreading.
But they said that previously announced plans to collect blood samples at random in more than 50,000 households had been deferred pending an assessment of whether such a survey was feasible and could be completed by 1990.

While awaiting better data, health officials told the White House that they saw no reason to revise their previous estimate, made 17 months ago, that 1 million to 1.5 million Americans already have been infected with the acquired immune deficiency syndrome virus. That estimate has

AIDS cripples the body's de-

In a related development, the million to 1.5 million infected. presidential AIDS commission disclosed in a preliminary report to it is wildly spreading," said Dr. AIDS.

President Ronald Reagan that it Otis Bowen, secretary of health and would concentrate on four issues human services. This is not a masthat, it seemed to imply, the federal sive, wildly spreading epidemic government and other bodies have among heterosexuals as some peonot adequately pursued. The com-mission said it would move immediately to investigate:

• The lack of drugs to treat AIDS patients.

The lack of valid data on how the disease is spreading.

• The need for home care and other forms of treatment of AIDS patients outside hospitals. • The lack of programs to treat

intravenous drug abusers who are at high risk of infection. AIDS cases. As of Nov. 23, 47,022 Federal health officials were cases had been reported to the Cen-ters for Disease Control, based in asked by the White House in June to prepare better estimates of how

and where the virus was spreading.
At a White House briefing Dr.
James O. Mason, director of the Federal Centers for Disease Conbeen criticized as too high by at trol, said that "we probably were a least one analyst on the White bit high a year and a half ago" in putting the high estimate at 1.5 million. But he noted that the virus has continued to spread since then fenses against cancers and other and that new estimates suggest that

"The statistics do not show that

House Approves **Cuts Under New** human services. "This is not a mas-Deficit Package The Associated Press

WASHINGTON - The Dr. Bowen said the new esti-House of Representatives voted Thursday to alter a \$587 billion mates, presented in a report to the White House Domestic Policy spending bill to conform to the Council, provided no basis for bedeficit reduction agreement believing that federal programs to combat AIDS could retent. tween Congress and the White

The bill was amended on a 236-177 preliminary vote. The White House and con-Dr. Mason agreed, "but it's not pressional negotiators agreed to

cut the federal budget deficit by \$30 billion in the 1988 fisca year, which began Oct. 1, and by \$46 billion for 1989. The bill would finance gov-

ernment programs beginning Dec. 16, when a temporary government spending law expires The new measure is necessary because Congress has not finished work on regular appropri-ations for the 1988 fiscal year.

The Senate must also approve the spending bill. Differences in the House and Senate versions must be resolved before the bill is sent to President Ronald Reagan for his signa-

## U.S. Mission to Jupiter Is Scheduled for 1989

shuttle orbit into deep space re-quired the planetary maneuvers to swing Galileo toward Jupiter.

John R. Casani, Galileo project

manager, said the spacecraft would be modified with new heat shields

and better temperature controls be-cause of the increased temperatures

around Venus. In addition, he said,

engineers are to augment control systems, add an extra antenna for

close-in Earth communication,

change computer software to han-

Galileo, scheduled for the ninth

space shuttle flight after missions

or the mission will have to be de-

would be canceled, they added.

The Galileo project, named after

the 17th-century astronomer who discovered and named Jupiter's four major moons, is designed to

greatly increase information on the

Jovian system gathered in 1979 by

the Voyager-1 and Voyager-2 mis-

ed on the Jupiter orbiter.

By Warren E. Leary

New York Times Service
WASHINGTON — NASA has announced that its long-delayed mission to Jupiter will be launched in 1989, including an audacious rerouting of the spacecraft that would involve using the gravita-tional force of Venus and Earth to fling the craft like a stone from a sling toward a rendezvous with Ju-

The unmanned Galileo mission, originally to have been launched in 1982, was delayed five times by dle the extra maneuvers and update some of the 11 experiments includproblems with propulsion systems and the space shuttle program, which forced scientists to alter the ssion's course. resume next year, must be launched between Oct. 8 and Nov. 24, 1989.

Making a virtue of this necessity. agency officials have devised a route that will enable the craft to layed again until 1991, officials make mankind's first close-up visits to asteroids as well as a flight past Venus.

It is a steroid as a flight launching date, at least one or both of the asteroid visits probably

In what the National Aeronautics and Space Administration called one of the most ambitious planetary voyages ever attempted, the 5,870-pound (about 2,660-kilogram) spacecraft will be launched from the shuttle Discovery.

The flight toward Jupiter will mark the first time a spacecraft has gone into distant space and re-turned close to Earth, NASA officials said Wednesday.

Ultimately, upon reaching Jupi-ter in 1995, the Galileo mission is to release a 737-pound probe that will be the first to penetrate the atmo-sphere of one of the giant, gaseous planets. In addition, the spacecraft is to spend two years orbiting the largest planet and making repeat flybys of its four largest moons.

William J. O'Neil of NASA's Jet Propulsion Laboratory, who is the science and mission design manager for the project, said that the roundabout route to Jupiter through the inner solar system was necessary for the spacecraft to pick up enough energy and momentum to reach its distant target.

The swings around Venus and Earth are necessary to get "gravity assists" to propel the spacecraft to Jupiter, Mr. O'Neil said. Despite the delays in the project, he added, what we will do at Jupiter is every thing we planned to — and more."
Not only has the cost of the pro-

gram, now expected to exceed \$1.3 billion, increased with the delays Earth and Juniter also has become more complicated. After the Challenger explosion in January 1986, NASA decided against using vola-tile bydrogen-fueled Centaur rockets to boost payloads, including Galileo, from shuttle cargo bays.

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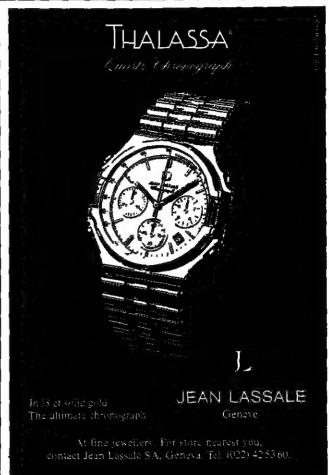
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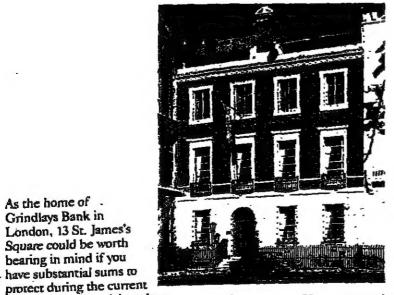
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## Candidates, 12 at a Time

Presidential candidates used to emerge from the smoke-filled room, chosen by shrewd old politicians. Now they emerge from trials by fire, electronic fire, chosen by the public. NBC's two-hour program Tuesday carried on-screen screening to a new level by including each candidate of both parties. In principle, it is part of a welcome, historic shift to primary election campaigns. But 12 candidates at once are too many. But 12 candidates at once are too many.

They were a docile dozen, eager to impress America in network television's preface to the campaign. Yet they soon turned into a blur of blue suits and red ties. With so little time, each question produced short-hand, not insight. What is needed now is the chance to assess individuals.

There were cogent moments Tuesday. Senator Bob Dole, a Republican, called calmly for bipartisanship toward next week's Reagan-Gorbachev summit meeting. Senator Albert Gore, a Democrat, out-lined a coherent, humane national policy on AIDS. Inevitably, however, the candidates tended toward slogans and the epi-grams that television calls sound-bites.

"Simonomics," said Representative Richard Gephardt, assailing the economic views of Senator Paul Simon, his fellow Democrat, is akin to Reaganomics. "People really want fair share, not welfare," said the Reverend Jesse Jackson. "It's time." said Bruce Babbitt, former governor of Arizona, as he got to his feet, to stand up to the budget deficit and the need for raising taxes.

Likewise the Republicans, Pierre du

Pont, former governor of Delaware, ex-

plained his opposition to the Euromissile treaty this way: "We defend freedom in this country. We don't just strive for peace." Democrats, said Pat Robertson, once 'stood for freedom but they don't anymore.

... Now they stand for appeasement." Representative Jack Kemp wants the dollar again to be "as good as gold."

A candidate may have developed a so-

phisticated policy on, say, employment and welfare, like Governor Michael Dukakis of views on the INF treaty, like Vice President George Bush or Alexander Haig. But such positions cannot be explained in seconds. Serious discussion of discussion and seconds. Serious discussion of dynamite issues like Social Security is difficult even with time —

and inconceivable without it.

Why, people ask, has there been so little discussion of issues so far? Too little time is a big reason. Small wonder that Governor Mario Cuomo of New York counsels the candidates to stop debating together and

start explaining separately.

The Public Broadcasting System offers a series on the individual candidates. That is impractical for the networks. Still, with their new screening role in campaigns, they have an obligation also to focus on the candidates singly. The arithmetic Tuesday amounted to 120 minutes divided by 12 candidates divided by 6 answers, little more than 90 seconds per answer. On PBS the candidates get 90 minutes, divided by one. For the voters, who now choose nominees as well as presidents, that adds up to something

-THE NEW YORK TIMES.

## Free Speech for the PLO

The conference committee considering the State Department authorization bill was scheduled Thursday or Friday to take up the question of the Palestine Liberation Organization's information offices in the United States. The Senate version of the bill contains a provision that would force these offices in Washington and New York to close their washington and New York to close their doors and would prohibit anyone — including American citizens and legal aliens — from opening an office or spending or receiving money "at the behest of the PLO" in order to publicize its non-terrorist views. This is a terrible, small-minded idea that is clearly at odds with the First Amendment, but chances are good that both conferees and

the Congress will approve it.

Contrary to the claim of its sponsors, this legislation is not directed at terrorism every form of which is already illegal in the United States — but at speech. The PLO is not popular in America, and for good reason. But it is not criminal in the United States to publish and disseminate unpopular views, to challenge decisions of the legislature and the foreign policy establishment or to criticize good friends of the United States. For 10 years, that is what the PLO

information office in Washington has beendoing. In September, the State Department, in an apparent effort to head off this legislation, reversed its long-held view that the activities of the office were both legal and constitutionally protected; it ordered the office shut down. But that did not satisfy senators who pushed to close the New York office (which is attached to the PLO observer post at the United Nations) as well.

The State Department's action is being challenged in U.S. district court in Washington. This is one of those times to be grateful for the third branch of government. The courts, unlike Congress and the executive, have been purposely isolated from the kind of pressures that lead elected and politically appointed officials to capitulate to misguid-ed demands. It is disgraceful that liberal senators in particular, who usually champion the First Amendment rights of the unpopu-lar, have supported this legislation and the State Department's action. It will be up to the courts to re-emphasize the distinction between illegal acts and protected speech. Everyone, even a supporter of the PLO, is entitled to join in debate and to be heard.

- THE WASHINGTON POST.

## The Pakistan Dilemma

The beated question of aid to Pakistan support of the rebels. But as Pakistan says, will soon hit the floor of the House of Representatives. The vote will be close, for aid bans and rests on its own interests. helping Pakistan for itself and for its help to the Afghan rebels versus trying to pressure Pakistan to stop building nuclear weapons.

The Reagan administration has requested \$4 billion for Pakistan over six years. The authorization for one year's funding is now before the House. It requires waiving a law that precludes aid because of Pakistan's nuclear weapons activities.

Supporters argue that Pakistan is a loyal U.S. ally essential to the support of the Afghan opposition. They regret its pursuit of nuclear capability but say that cutting off aid will not necessarily end it.

Representative Stephen Solarz proposes an amendment restoring the six-year aid program as Pakistan desires, but making it contingent on presidential assurances that Pakistan has ceased producing weapons-grade nuclear materials, Perhaps, Mr. Solarz. concedes, the cutoff would weaken Pakistani

Leach have offered another approach: Stop aid only if India agrees to forgo nuclear weapons programs and Pakistan refuses to do likewise. Certainly Washington should put more pressure on India, but it lacks real leverage. Perhaps the only way to get India on the nonproliferation bandwagon is not to let Pakistan off the book.

There can be reasonable disagreement over whether an aid stoppage will have the desired effect in Pakistan. But there is no doubt that Pakistan continues its weapons development program and lies about it. And there can be little doubt about the effect of-Congress waiving laws it has designed to contain the spread of nuclear weapons.

An aid renewal would say that when other important issues are at stake America will accept utter disregard for nonproliferation. That is not a signal the world can afford. - THE NEW YORK TIMES.

#### Other Comment

#### The French on Hostages

Yes, it was a compromise that brought the liberation of the two French hostages, and it is a global compromise that France is now pegotiating with Iran. Some may oppose this. But the alternative is clear, and it involves a strategy of inflexible rigor. Would a majority

in France support this? Hardly likely, Realism led the government to open a process of normalization (of which the hostage problem is only a part) as soon as the opportunity presented itself. The economic and strategic stakes are high. Would it have served the national interest to pass up this chance? Would it have hurt Iran?

We must decide what we want: to save what can be saved and open a dialogue, or to save honor and risk the worst. Risking the worst can exact a high price and demand sacrifices. Are the French of today ready for that - in more than words? — Philippe Tesson, Le Quotidien de Paris.

Either France had to write off the hostages as virtual dead men (a politically justifiable but morally difficult stance), or declare its

emments have done only with the public's general approval). In the latter case, the end dictated the means: One does not use gentlemen's arguments on hoodhums. If the aim of the deal was moral, its means could not be. - Gérard Dupuy in Libération (Paris).

#### 'A Little Lesson' on Gorbachev

Over 15 million Americans watched NBC's Tom Brokaw joust with Mikhail Gorbachev on television Monday. What they saw was the real Gorbachev - animated, loquacious, charming, very sure of him-self and hard as nails, Mr. Brokaw offered a look at what negotiating with Mr. Gorba-chev is like — at the hurdles of culture, history and ideology that must be cleared. He also showed that it can be done.

"Let me teach you a little lesson," Mr. Gorbachev said at one point, lapsing into a Soviet mindset as old as V.I. Lenin — one that says that the Soviets alone perceive truth. Amiable and formidable, a most satisfactory introduction to a meeting in which so much depends on the two leaders making certain the answers match the questions. - The Los Angeles Times.

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#### **OPINION**

BETTER GET HELMS ON THE SCRAMBLER... WE GOT INCOMING TREATTES ALL OVER THE SCREEN!

# Gorbachev Isn't About To Starve His Army

By Doug Macgregor WEST POINT, New York — As the Washington summit meeting draws near, there has been a barrage of confusing commentary on the meaning of Mikhail Gorbachev's glamon, including ethortations from some Western observers to reward the Soviet reformist spirit with eco-

nomic cooperation and support.
Central to their argument is the claim that Mr. Gorbachev, glasnost and Soviet economic reform are inherently good for the West because they will lead to a reduced Soviet military threat. There is, however, no evidence that restructuring the Soviet economy or broadening citizen par-ticipation in local affairs will con-strain the Soviet state in its long-term effort to dominate Eurasia.

Military power has always been the Soviet state's primary claim to international prestige, and it is within the Soviet military that Mr. Gorbachey's reinvigorating influence may ulti-mately have its greatest effect. Con-sider his elevation this year of General Dmitri Yazov to the top position in the Soviet military establishment. The appointment of the relatively

unknown army general to be the minister of defense was a huge surprise in the Western world. He projects the image of a leader in the Gorbachev mold. He brings energy, integrity and intelligence to the Soviet armed forces in a manner not seen since the 1920s. Unlike most of his predecessors, the younger Yazov avoids ideological barangues in favor of practical emphasis on military discipline, new training techniques and fighting cor-ruption in the officer corps. He stresses intellect, modern technology and military history in the education of officers, and he exalts the "dynamic, thinking man" as the model of the modern Soviet military professional. This approach appeals to many Western observers who are taken

with the "Gorbachev style." But none of General Yazov's rhetoric suggests that an era of resource stringency will cause the type of orga-nizational contraction that reduced the size of the Soviet conventional forces in the 1950s. In fact, the Soviet state's investment in military-force development continues at a dizzying pace; new weapons are reaching the field more rapidly than at any time in recent Soviet history. And if General Yazov succeeds in reforming the armed forces, the West will face a

more, not less, potent Soviet threat. Then there is Marshal Nikolai Ogarkov, who was removed from the general staff in 1984 for insisting that global war with the United States could be fought without wide use of nuclear weapons. Marshal Ogarkov appears to have been resurrected, and the "new political thinking" in Moscow has not discouraged him from pressing ahead with a new offensive military doctrine and strategy for the 1990s that emphasize theaterwide, "high-tech" conventional military operations against the West. Marshal Ogarkov has been given

operational control of the Warsaw Pact's most important concentration of forces: the Western theater of military operations, which includes the western Soviet Union, Poland, Czechoslovakia and East Germany. He has been working to develop his Central European command into a cohesive and responsive offensive-force structure that can rapidly mobi-lize and attack the North Atlantic Treaty Organization. Western analysts should be careful not to underestimate the extent to which Marshel Ogarkov's innovative strategy conforms to Mr. Gorbachey's commit-

ment to reinvigorate the Soviet state.

Much ink has been wasted on speculation about the possible effect of the Gorbachev proposals for limited reform, which may yet be scrapped by a party apparatus that abhors

change in any form. Meanwhile, his reform-oriented approach appears to be reinvigorating Soviet military strength, but it has done nothing to change the traditional objectives of

Cam Ranh:

The Soviets'

'Non-Base'

By Alvin H. Bernstein

SINGAPORE — Yevgeni Samotei-kin, the Soviet ambassador to Aus-tralia, was still insisting last March that Cam Ranh Bay on the central coast of Vietnam was not a Soviet base. "I must emphasize," he said in Canberra, "that the U.S.S.R. has no naval base at Cam Ranh Bay in the sense in which it is customary to define

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such bases, namely, ones with com-plete structure." Soviet naval ships, he asserted, called there simply to take on

supplies or make minor repairs. He added: "Cam Ranh in no way can be compared with the U.S. Subic Bay

Soon afterward, the U.S. navy re-leased aerial photographs showing that Cam Ranh Bay had indeed be-come the largest Soviet air and naval base outside the Warsaw Pact. The

photos showed a much larger complex than what the Vietnamese Commu-

Cam Ranh is Moscow's reward for

bankrolling Vietnam's occupation of Cambodia, to the tune of S9 billion in

military aid since 1978. The Soviets

have transformed the base. It now has equipment capable of handling nuclear missiles. It also has aircraft mainte-

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nance depots and communications and intelligence-gathering facilities.

Nearly 25 surface ships, as well as attack and cruise missile submarines, operate daily in the area. Some are miclear-powered. There are 16 Badger bombers stationed at Cam Ranh, each with a range of 1,500 miles (2,400 kilometers). They could hit U.S. bases in the Philippines and all capitals of the six countries in the Association of South East Asian Nations, A squad-

South East Asian Nations, A squad-ron of MiG-23 Flogger-G jets at Cam Ranh can be used for air defense or

Ranh can be used for air detense or bomber escort. Eight long-range unboprop Beans regularly fly over the South Chins Sea for recounsissance and practice targeting of U.S. and Chinese naval units. They collect intelligence on China, Taiwan, the Philippines, Australia, Indonesia's Natura Islands, and Hainan Island, where Chine's regional gaves feet is based.

China's regional naval fleet is based. Thanks to Vietnam's invasion of Cambodia, the Soviets have been able to use Cambodian ports at Kompong Som and Ream, on the Gulf of Thai-

land, to funnel arms into Cambodia

and improve intelligence gathering.

Basing in Vietnam helps the Soviets solve their main naval problem in the Pacifice having to pass through narrow straits off the Sea of Japan from Vladi-

vostok, or to deploy from Petropav-lovsk, icebound for several months of the year, to reach the Pacific Ocean in

time of crisis. The warm water Vict-namese port, ideal for surface and submarine operations, provides rapid

access to deep waters.

The value of Cam Ranh Bay to

Moscow is not so much as a staging post against U.S. Pacific forces, be-

cause it could not be defended against a determined U.S. attack. It is

e useful as part of the

encirclement of China and for coun-

tering any threat to the Soviet Unices from Chinese ballistic missile subs.

also be of value to Moscow in a

limited regional conflict, or for sup-

porting Communist insurgent forces, in the Philippines or elsewhere.

serious challenge if more sophisticated

surface-to-air missiles and more for-

midable interceptor aircraft began op-erating there in association with the

ground-based early warning com-mand and control system in place.

of supersonic Backfire bombers should not be a surprise. As the new generation of Soviet bomber, the Blackfack, replaces Backfires elsewhere, the older planes will become svailable for use in Vietnam.

Backfires are more worrisome than

Badgers. In addition to having a

longer range, they carry a larger pay-load and far more sophisticated mis-

siles, and can strike fast at low level.

They also have electronic counter-measure gear so that they have less

need for escort aircraft to cover them.

ty in the area, the United States will

have to reassess any strategy that

requires movement of forces between

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nists had captured in 1975.

Soviet power and influence.

Despite Mr. Gorbachev's pronouncements, it is clear that there will be no reduced emphasis on Soviet military power. If there are any reductions in the size of the Soviet armed forces, these reductions doubtlessly will be followed, as in the past, by structural changes to in-crease the military's striking power. The hasty embrace in the West of a "Gorbachev climate" actually raises

the risk that a more robust Soviet the risk that a more robust Soviet economy, belped by Western credits and technology, will provide the basis for even greater Soviet military strength. Those who expect Soviet military power to be buried in glasnost's wake are in for a surprise.

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# Food Wars: In a Summit Season, the EC Talks Matter

BRUSSELS — Politicians hate being upstaged.
But over the next few days, many of the West's political leaders will be enduring irritation and discomfiture at one another's hands.

we are in high season for summit meetings, some more important than others. Next week's Reagan-Gorbachev encounter is being labeled a maxi-summit, Margaret Thatcher's talks with Mikhail Gorbachev while his aircraft refuels in London en route to Washington is a mini-summit, and the European Council meeting in Copenhagen, bringing together the 12 EC leaders today and Sammity is a plain old summit.

Saturday, is a plain old summit.

President Reagan reportedly is furious that Mrs.

Thatcher has arranged a midair hijacking of Mr.

Gorbachev, fearing this could steal some of his thunder. The EC feaders, meanwhile, realize that their meeting will be almost totally eclipsed by the Washington summit. It is all a good example of how showbiz can obscure the real issues of politics. For while the Reagan-Gorbachev meeting unovershadow the issues discussed at Copenhagen.

At the top of the EC agenda is the question of furm subsidies. It may sound bureaucratic and banal, but it is arguably of far greater concern in the long run to more people around the world than the scrapping of weapons that amount to 3 percent of the world's nuclear stockpiles. The Washington summit will send a signal to the

world that the two superpowers will continue their rapprochement. With any luck the meeting will rystallize into fresh images of friendship. In short, the Washington summit marks a trend By Giles Merritt

but not a turning point. The Copenhagen meeting, by contrast, is faced with decisions that could change the way billions of people live.

These decisions concern the degree to which the rich European states should subsidize their farmers.

It is a matter of concern far beyond Europe, for European farm surpluses are now flooding world markets at subsidized prices that are driving even the poorest Third World peasants off their land.

Unjust as it may sound, the poor farmers of the world's most hard-pressed agricultural economies

Farm subsidies are arguably of greater concern to more people in the world than the INF treaty.

are being bankrupted by the rich farmers of the world's most advanced industrialized economies. And worse is still to come. The breakthroughs being made in biotechnology have unsettling im-plications, because they will improve yields in developed countries much more than in underdeveloped ones. The coming biorevolution promises to increase outputs of cereals, livestock and dairy by up to 20 percent; even more produce will be dumped on world markets at giveaway prices.

The United States is also a culprit in this. But the
Europeans hold the key to any solution because the EC's Common Agriculture Policy, or CAP, still stands between them and a reduction of subsidies. The United States proposed earlier this year, as part of the present Uniquely round of multilateral trade negotiations, that talks be held on abolishing the trade-distoring farm subsidies. The EC countries. however, are still wrestling with whether the CAP should be changed, let alone radically reformed.

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But the European leaders now find themselves between a rock and a hard place. Thanks to Prime Minister Thatcher, who refuses to countenance the idea that British tappayers should pay more for other European countries' runaway farm subsidies, the EC budget will not be refloated until genuine reforms are introduced in the CAP.

CAP costs have risen 40 percent since 1984, Next year they will empty EC coffers, and then some. Spending will exceed the maximum permit-ted budget of about \$40 billion by \$6 billion; EC finances will become chaotic. Mrs. Thatcher insists she will agree to an increased budget ceiling has rightly remained deaf to blandishments from France and West Germany that a system of "stabilizers" would reduce farm costs.

There seems little prospect of agreement at Copenhagen, and perhaps that will be no bad thing. A bust-up between the European leaders just as the United States and the Soviet Union are comenting a new stage in détente could embarrass the EC into at last getting serious about agricultural reforms. And that would do more to help subsistence farmers the world over than any amount of aid.

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# Food: Asia's Green Revolutionaries Spread the Word

ARACHI, Pakistan — Food shortages are back in Africa, and again the travails of Ethiopia are on the front page. But what about India, Pakistan, Bangladesh, Thailand and parts of India already.

And wet while some Asian councils off balance. There were Cambodia, where floods and drought, in appailing combination, have been

reaking havoc with agriculture? To fly from Dhaka, Bangladesh, to Karachi is to cross the three corners of wretchedness: flooded fields in Bangladesh; overcultivated, denuded slopes in Nepal; and, finally, the parched plains of middle India.

According to Dr. M.S. Swaminathan, the president of the Interna-tional Rice Research Institute in Manila, the second-largest producer of rice in the world, India, may lose about 20 million tons of its current crop, Thailand up to 2 million hardship without outside aid.

A Dedication to Normalcy

WHEN Frank Carlucci was brought in to rescue the National Security Council staff last January, he asked a holdover official why the place had so many secretaries. "I was told we needed all of them

because we worked in shifts through the weekends," Mr. Cartucci said recently. "I said, 'The hell we do.' We probably worked two or three weekends during the year. Most nights I went home by 6 o'clock."

This dedication to normalcy is a useful clue to the character of Mr.

Carlucci, an accomplished troubleshooter through seven presidencies.

When he became President Reagan's fifth national-security adviser in

six years, he entered a White House shaken by the revelations of the Iran-

contra affair. The NSC staff was demoralized and divided. Outsiders viewed the staff as a government within a government. Insiders were struck by the insecurity and scapegoating of surviving staff members.

This portrait was not fair to dozens of hardworking men and women

who were not part of the Oliver North cabal and who did not share his

zealotry. But there is no doubt that the NSC had wandered far afield from

Long before the congressional report on the Iran-contra affair was

issued, Mr. Carlucci had reached many of the same conclusions, and acted

on them. He did away with oral or retroactive "findings" of the sort used to

justify the Iranian arms deal, and he abolished the political-military unit

that had served as Colonel North's launching pad. He brought in his own

trusted team, including Colin Powell, now his designated successor. He fired some people. But he left the door to his office open.

The last word has not been written on the Iran-contra affair - or on

Mr. Carlucci, now the defense secretary, Many familiar with his long

career think he performed his most vital service when, as ambassador to

Portugal in 1975, he led the effort to keep that nation in the democratic camp after Secretary of State Henry Kissinger had abandoned the task. Whatever history's verdict, his year at the NSC has demonstrated that

professionalism and common sense are more valuable in the pursuit of

- Lon Cannon in The Washington Post.

its legitimate function of providing impartial advice.

national security than unrestrained ideological fervor.

parts of India already.

And yet, while some Asian countries - Cambodia and Bangladesh in particular - have had to seek food aid, most have been cushioned by reserves built up in the recent years of Green Revolution, a histori-

cally remarkable development.
Rice production in India, the Philippines and Indonesia has risen dramatically over the past two decades. The investment in new high-yield va-rieties of seed and in irrigation and fertilizers has paid dividends, and given most Asian countries the wherewithal to withstand the present

as bad weather threw precarious economies off balance. There were dire predictions that by the mid-1980s the world would run out of food, as Asia gobbled up any surplus

stocks reached an unprecedented 445 million tons and rice prices fell to the lowest point this century. It is in India that the most dramatic change has occurred. That country has moved in two decades from receiving massive food aid to a point where it has been able to give food to

grown in North America or Europe.

Yet at the end of 1986-87, world rice

others, not least to Ethiopia. In New Delhi, the UN World Food Council recently hosted a conference billed as an exchange of experience between African and Asian food-policy makers. It was remarkably useful

in pinpointing just where Africa is missing out and what it could learn from the Indian experience. India's biggest strides have been in irrigation technology and the management of water resources. The small farmer in many parts of India has learned to follow a cropping pattern that treats water as a scarce resource to be husbanded and conserved. India has also paid attention to research in dry farming and moisture management techniques. Africa has barely begun a similar effort. India has developed an ubiquitous

extension service that continually visits farmers in the field, offering advice and know-how. The experience of farmers is reported back to research centers, helping to produce practical technologies rather than imaginative but unusable techniques. Much of the success of Indian agri-

culture has been due to the development of support mechanisms that promote production. Africa, in contrast, has often used its food aid to lower food prices in order to reduce unrest in its cines. India has gone the opposite way, of late even raising prices above world levels, since world prices are so deflated by the government-subsidized surpluses produced in North America and Western Europe.

farmers to buy in bulk and to arrange common processing and mar-keting facilities. In Africa, however, cooperatives have too often become inefficient state monopolies, virtually alienating the farmers they pur-port to serve. In contrast, the Indian government does not interfere with cooperatives except to provide

training and credit.

As a result of the New Delhi conference there has been a renewed ef-fort to expand the number of places for Africans in Indian agricultural universities and institutes to encourage Indian experts to work in Africa, and to organize short-term training both in India and Africa for African managers of research institutes, extension services, cooperatives and food-policy planning units.

Parts of Africa appear to be enter-ing again a period of famine, massive relief operations and dependency.

Much of the rest of the continent is only imping along. Yet one cause for hope remains. It is knowing that if Asia could do it, Africa can too. International Herald Tribune.

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the Indian and Pacific oceans, partic-ularly if it is eventually requested to evacuate its facilities in the Philippines. Such a withdrawal would not create the zone of peace and neutrality the ASEAN countries seek. It would make them all the more vulnerable to Soviet coercive diplomacy.

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#### 100. 75 AND 50 YEARS AGO

1887: President Carnot

garding the contest for the Presidency of the Republic were terminated [on Dec. 3] by the selection of Marie François Sadi Carnot as President Jules Grevy's successor. The final vote in the National Assembly stood -Sadi Carnot, 616, General Saussier, 188, Mr. Ferry, 11, M. Freycinet, 5. There was great relief over the result. [President Grevy resigned on Dec. 2.]

1912: Dollar Diplomacy

WASHINGTON - In his Message to Congress today [Dec. 3] President W.H. Taft begins with an appeal, significant in view of the impending change of administration, for politiin foreign politics, owing to their

cial diplomacy of an adequately trained personnel in the Diplomatic PARIS - All fears and alarms re- and Consular corps. The diplomacy of the present administration," Mr. Taft says, "has sought to respond to modern ideas of commercial intercourse. This policy has been characterized as substituting dollars for bullets. It is one that appeals alike to idealistic. humanitarian sentiments, to the dictates of sound policy and strategy, and to legitimate commercial aims.

#### 1937: Inventions of Note

WASHINGTON - The nation's inventors got patents last week for a flock of gadgets. Alvin N. Gustavson has a "party selector mechanism for voting machines" that enables a citizen to go down the line for the whole cal unity and consistency in regard to ticket with as little effort as flicking a foreign politics. Mr. Talt dilates on finger. Frank Matsuyama promises the especial need of far-seeing views to revolutionize the stick-swinging policeman with a nightstick that can Farmers' cooperatives have close connection with the expansion be snuggled into a pocker. Donald L. Bruner and James H. Heer combined development in India, enabling the necessity in this age of commer-talents on air-conditioned goggles.

# **OPINION**

"debate" has come and gone, prov-ng little but that Tom Brokaw, the NBC News anchor, after facing in a single veek Mikhail Gorbachev and all 12 Republican and Democratic presidential andidates, may have peaked too soon.
What can he do for an encore?

The group-gabble over which Mr. Broaw gamely presided took place as "se-ior Democratic leaders," frustrated by he inability of their party's half-dozen contenders to make much of an imprestion on the public, were reported to be eeking an alternative. The prospects for hat are not rosy, but these gurus can lardly be blamed for their frustration. All the Democratic six still were run-

ing behind Undecided (42 percent of espondents) in the latest New York Times-CBS News poll. The Reverend esse Jackson still led the real, live andidates at 26 percent, though few selieve that Mr. Jackson can rise much reyond that level of support. None of he contenders has yet made the ap-croach, the proposal or the self-presenation that might lift him to real disinction in the group, though Senator Albert Gore Jr. has tried.

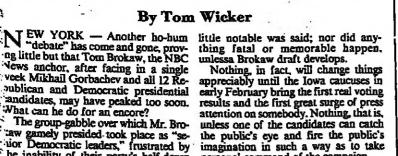
Thus, the humorist Art Buchwald may lave been speaking for many Americans when he observed that the Democratic andidates reminded him of a car pool. Even Governor Michael Dukakis of Massachusetts, who is probably one of he Democrats riding in the front seat, aughed ruefully the other day about laving just taken part in "five debates n six days." Or was it six debates in ive days? Either way, these repetitious vents produced not a tremor in the

oll standings or the headlines.
Nor will the elephantine NBC News "debate" make much difference in he polls or the public attitude. The vords were mostly predictable. This or hat candidate may have improved or legraded his position marginally but

#### They Can Believe in Cuomo

COMING out of the Reagan years, Democrats apparently crave a can-lidate as emotionally satisfying to them : is Ronald Reagan has been to Republians. No doubt that is an irrational wish. But politics is not just about interests; it s about dreams and hopes, the high round of political myth that Mario address to the Democratic convention in 1984. No other candidate occupies that round today, and Democrats are afraid hat unless they are fired up by a nomiace, he will lose. They want someone they can believe in, and they want a winner. Mr. Cuomo is the one.

-Jack Beatty, a senior editor of The Atlantic, in the Los Angeles Times.



personal command of the campaign.

Among the Democrats, Mr. Gore alone has tried to step off the beaten path through lowa. First, he presented what he called a tougher approach to Soviet-U.S. relations and national security issues than his rivals offered; then he accurately but riskily declared Iowa too small a constituency and its Democratic activists too narrow in outlook to provide a fair test of the presidential candidates' national prospects.

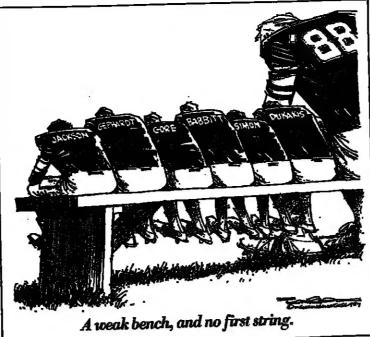
In no small part, of course, Mr. Gore downgraded Iowa and curtailed his campaigning in that state because his prospects there were not good; as a Tennesseean he counts instead on a strong showing in the 13 primaries in Southern states on March 8, after which a third of the Democratic dele-

gates will have been chosen. If that strategy works, and if by that route and in later primaries Mr. Gore becomes the party nominee, he probably would be a more strongly based national candidate than one whose nomination had resulted primarily from the "momentum" (mostly press attention) of a victory in Iowa or New Hampshire, or both for that matter.

As for an alternative to the Democratic car pool, it is still possible that someone - Governor Mario Cuomo of New York is the prime suspect - might enter several late, big-state primaries and outpoll the established candidates. That would make the governor a probable front-runner in the public opinion surveys, even if he had entered too late to win many delegates

Aside from the fact that Mr. Cuomo insists he won't do that, and that no one else seems likely to, such a "beauty contest" winner still would have to gain the support of 51 percent of the delegates at the Atlanta convention, most of whom would be committed to other candidates. It is not clear how, or if, he could win them, but the big pool of at-large delegates, including elected public ofti-cials, might have little choice but to support the best apparent vote-getter.

That is a dim prospect at best. But again, if someone could do it, he surely would have a stronger national base for a general election campaign than a nomi-nee who had capitalized mostly on narrow-gauge victories among Democratic activists in Iowa and or New Hampshire. The New York Times.



# Playing Where He Can, With Persistence

W ASHINGTON — The first time I heard Vladimir Feltsman play the piano was in a dark Moscow stairwell. We had just finished talking, a sad conversation between a visiting American journalist and yet another Russian refusenik and immediately after I left, Mr. Feltsman had bolted to the piano. Schubert, rich and somber, cascaded down the stairwell and past the ubiquitous Russian woman who, in either myth or fact, reports all visitors to the KGB. Vladimir lisman seemed to be in a prison from

which he would never escape.

The next time I heard Mr. Feltsman play was at the Kennedy Center. He began there on a recent night with Schu-bert, moved into Messiaen, finished with Schumann and "went home" only for an encore — a piece by an earlier Russian emigre to America. Sergei Rachmaninoff. President Reagan and his wife, Nancy, listened from their box, and af-terward there was a party. This was Mr. Felisman's third American concert the White House, Carnegie Hall and, now, the Kennedy Center.

By Richard Cohen

There is an old joke about the out-oftowner who stops a New Yorker and asks how to get to Carnegie Hall. "Practice." he is told. Mr. Felstman did, but that is not what got him to Carnegie Hall. Instead, it was an indomitable

#### MEANWHILE

faith, a belief that not even the vast Soviet state — dispenser of apartments, favors and even life itself — could deprive him of the right to play the piano wherever he could. Mr. Feltsman has a term for that: "artistic independence."
That day in his Moscow apartment I was sorry for him, and I felt certain he would never be granted permission to emigrate. He had applied six years earlier. The punishment was immediate. He was barred from playing the major cities and banished to tour the provinces. His records were yanked from the shops. In the Soviet context. Mr. Feltsman's demand

was absurd and selfish. He was not in clear ideological rebellion against the state or a religious Jew yearning for Israel, but a one-time child prodigy who wanted to play the world's concern stages.

Why should a Communist nation recognize such an urge? Why should the Soviet Union make an exception for Mr. Feltsman? Why, especially, when his father. Oskar, was one of the best known of popular Soviet composers? The American community in Mos-cow had adopted Mr. Feltsman. Did that make matters worse or better for him? The U.S. ambassador, Arthur Hartman, burnished Mr. Feltsman's talent by having him play at Spaso House, the ambassador's residence.

Mr. Feltsman's apartment was a stop for visiting journalists, and he said to them that he would prevail. It seemed a hollow speech, followed during my visit with a plunging change of expression. Sadness seized his face. Before his wife, he admitted to bouts of depression.

We all make compromises and seek to protect what we have. By Soviet standards, Mr. Feltsman had plenty. The state was his manager, booking agent and box office. It paid him. It granted him an apartment, large by Soviet standards. Compared with most Russians, he lived a sweet life. But he had seen France, Japan, Italy. He wanted more — "artistic independence." For eight years, the one-time toast of Paris played the sticks.

Who are these people — these Russian dissidents and refuseniks, who stand up to the state, risking all or almost all? What sort of person can weather years of doubt and depression. actually living the silly things we tell children about perseverance and independence? And why are they often people, like the physicist Andrei Sakharov,

ho have the most to lose? The music critics say that we have vet to learn if Vladimir Feltsman is a major talent. Three concerts do not a genius make, and years of isola-tion from the musical mainstream must have taken their toll.

But the true talent of Mr. Feltsman like that of other dissidents and refuseniks — is not the musical ability for which he is a mere host, but the incredible persistence he has shown.

His talent and those who nurtured it - his wife, the American community in Moscow, and others - helped sustain him, but in the end it was a lone man who sat down to play at the Kennedy Center. His talent brought down the house. His courage brought him there in the first place.

The Washington Post.

the return of tarsolicited manuscripts.

## LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

#### On Rewarding Terrorists

Regarding "Paris Remitting \$330 Mil-

lion for Hostages" (Dec. 1, second edition): A recent European Parliament resolution on political relations between the European Community and the United States "regrets the confusion that has arisen in the Western world as a result of revelations that the United States negotiated secretly with Iran and gave Iran arms in exchange for the release of hos-tages" and "hopes that the United States and the Twelve [member states of the European Communities] will ... find a common position on international terrorism and the seizing of hostages by

paramilitary groups ... One must wonder, in light of France's decision to turn over \$330 million to Iran as payment on a debt in exchange for the ase of French hostages in Beirut, whether a common position on interna-tional terrorism and hostage taking has already developed: Pay off terrorists with gins and money. However, I doubt that this is the type of solution which the European Parliament had in mind.

JOHN KUZMIK.

#### A Beacon in Bangladesh

Bangladesh, a land of more than a hundred million people and the home of broad political diversity, has long been known as a country plagued by natural calamities and unrelieved poverty. Fortunately, it is also becoming known as the land of the Grameen Bank, the institution so vividly described by Jonathan Power in "An Unusual Bank Elevates the Poor in Bangladesh" (Nov. 26).

As one of my nation's more than 50 million women, I feel a special gratitude

for the hope and dignity that this rural credit plan has brought to the lives of hundreds of thousands of landless women and men. I also feel a special sense of pride, for Bangladesh has shown that stay out of harm's way?

it is not merely a recipient of Western aid, but can contribute as well. The Grameen Bank, an indigenous organization that attracted the generous financial support of the International Fund for Agricultural Development, has been the model for several other credit programs in the developing world, as well as for at least two recently started in the United States: one in rural Arkansas and the other in inner-city Chicago.

Countries such as mine, if given the ecessary support and encouragement - both domestically and from abroad - can and will make further significant contributions to making the world a better place for all our children.

FARHANA HAQUE RAHMAN.

## About That 'Foolishness'

Regarding the report "Science Unravels Teens' Fatal Foulishness" (Nov. 25) by Daniel Goleman:

It is not often that one comes upon such flagrantly ridiculous work as that being pursued by some "U.S. behavioral scientists" in their efforts to curb dangerous behavior by teen-agers. Anyone who includes parties, desiring thrills and adventure, and "seeking new experiences" as overly risky activities from which we need to divert young people sounds much too dangerously closedminded to be allowed near adolescents.

Moreover, to classify deaths due to homicide and suicide as being the results of excessive risk-taking is skewed. And as to the claim that adolescents'

level of "cognitive development has not yet reached the point where they can make judgments that will keep them out of trouble," how many adults do you know who have never learned to

These researchers appear to have de-cided that the best life is synonymous with the safest and longest life. Unfortu-nately, the richness of the world, both its dark and happier sides, is hidden from those who put safety and prudence first. This research effort seems to be more the product of a group of safety freaks dedi-cated to "rehabilitating" all those teenagers who, say, ever drank a few too many beers than of scientists sympathetic to the problems of adolescents.

CHRISTOPHER SCOTT ANDREWS.

That is not front-page news, it is old people talking. The fact that paragraph 12 begins a discussion about the positive aspects of this same urge does not do justice to the reality. It is not "foolishness," but rather the creative spirit that these establishment folks seek to stifle. GROVER WILKINS.

### Perspective Out of Focus

Regarding the opinion column "Nothing Short of a Calamity Will Do" (Nov. 21) by Charles Krauhammer:

While it is true that as one ages, one begins to see modern crises in some perare very seriously amiss in America's fispective, it is also true that some th

The Oct. 19 stock plunge may not be the equivalent of Mr. Krauthammer's assessment of 1929, but the stock market fall is only one belated symptom of a

columnist William Greider in the Sept. 24 issue of Rolling Stone magazine.
In most of the nation, Mr. Krautham-

mer, we are up to our armpits at the very least. How silly to characterize the situation as a "mudslide in Malibu."

"creeping crisis of debt default that cuts across the American economy," to quote

PAUL BIRCHARD.

#### The Uglier Side

Regarding the sports article "A Bit of Glasnost, Gone Agley in Glasgow" (Oct. 7) by Rob Hughes:

I feel compelled to congratulate Rob Hughes for his outspoken criticism of Graeme Souness, the Glasgow Rangers FC manager, who, in my opinion, should have been punished for bringing the game into disrepute by employing underhanded tactics to dump Dynamo Kiev out of the European Cup.

1 wish more journalists would stop harking on about Mr. Souness's achievements, which are inevitable considering the players and money he has at his disposal, and start concentrating on stamping out the uglier side of the game by holding him responsible for foul play. There is no question that the result

came before any other aspect of the game that night, including the preserva-tion of Soviet footballing careers. Graeme Souness, seeing no point in being a gentleman, got the result he was under pressure to get. If the Rangers had been knocked out of the Cup while playing attractive football, true football lovers would have respected him much more, and it would have been clear if the better side had won.

R. PETTINGA.

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involved in the suspected bombing

Government officials said they

believed plastic explosives were

planted -possibly in a toilet -on

tempt at Bahrain Airport but re-

mained silent during questioning by South Korean and Japanese of-

The woman, identified on her

forged Japanese passport as

Mayumi Hachiya, 28, regained

conciousness and "closed her eyes"

afterward at a Bahrain military hospital, the Japanese charge d'affaires, Takao Natsumi, said.

A spokesman for the Foreign Ministry in Seoul said that South

Korea was seeking permission from

Bahrain to send a team of special-

ists to Manama to question the

Tuesday after biting a poisoned cigarette while under detention at

Bahrain Airport on a passport vio-

An older man traveling with her,

identified by his forged passport as Shinichi Hachiya, died a few min-

utes after also taking poison. Offi-

cials in Bahrain were trying to de-

termine the true identities of the

couple.

The plane was bound for Seoul

from the Middle East when it dis-

appeared Sunday near the Burma-

Thailand border. The Asian couple

left the jet on a stopover in Abu

Japanese officials in Tokyo

South Korean officials believe

the couple belonged to the large

Korean community in Japan and were linked to groups with ties to

In Beijing, a North Korean Embassy spokesman denied that North Korea had sabotaged the

"It is impossible," the spokes-man said. "Why would our country do that?" He added that such accu-

sations were designed to "distract world attention" in a "complex"

South Korean political situation leading to presidential elections

In Thailand on Thursday,

Andaman Sea" off Burma.

pected leader of the Red Army ter-

said he had plans to fly to Seoul.

Kim Chong Ha, president of the

hoped that fingerprints and photos

of the couple, sent from Bahrain,

would help identify them.

North Korea.

dassenger ict.

The woman lapsed into a coma

of a South Korean airliner.

involved.

# EUROPEAN **TOPICS**

#### **Dutch Conscripts** Complain of Brutality

Dutch Army conscripts are regularly subjected to brutality and intimidation, according to a Dutch soldiers' group. The Union for Conscript Soldiers said that earlier this year a sergeant and five conscripts dealt out physical abuse to 80 recruits at the Ermelo infantry barracks, including burning their feet with cigarette lighters to wake them up. The complaint came shortly after similar reports surfaced at the Oirschot barracks and followed press reports about allegations of abuse

in the British Army.

A spokesman for the Dutch
Defense Ministry said the first results of an investigation at Oirscase. He compared it to the hazing of students, which "some-times gets out of hand." "Our soldiers have so much

free time; they can go home at night," he said. "And now people start calling for discipline. Fritz van Rikxoort, a spokes-

man for the soldiers' group, said the incidents were not isolated cases but "structural problems."

#### **British Heart Doctors** Ask for More Nurses

Heart specialists at the nine centers for children's heart surgery in Britain have appealed to Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher to help solve the shortage of intensive-care nurses. They say the shortage is the main reason for the frequent postponements of lifesaving operations on in-

The case of David Barber, a 6week-old baby with a hole in the heart, made beadlines in Britain recently when his parents sued a Birmingham hospital after his operation had been canceled five times. The parents lost the case, but the baby was operated on last week after Mrs. Thatcher intervened personally. Doctors at the hospital disclosed that another 35 operations also had been canceled in the past two months.

Doctors blame the staff shortage on the failure of the National Health Service to pay specialist nurses adequately. They said they were not appealing for more

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rights issues when he met with Mr.

opers of conscience will be "unseen

guests" during their talks. [In a speech to human rights ac-

Soviet "apparatus of state repres-

one's human rights, acts of repres-

sion or brutality, as an attack on civilization itself," he said.]

Celestine Bohlen of The Washing-

The Soviet Foreign Ministry for-mally rejected on Thursday U.S.

charges that Moscow had broken the terms of the ABM Treaty.

■ Moscow Rejects Charges

ton Post reported from Moscow:

Gorbachev, saying that Soviet pris- trol report to Congress a repetition

tivists, Mr. Reagan said that the mentary was regarded as unusually

human rights would be "on a par" cow building up to Tuesday's sum-

with arms control at the summit meeting. United Press Internation— Tass said Mr. Reagan's report

systematically undermining arms television channel via satellite next

control agreements and said the year. It said the new multilingual

U.S. charges of arms violations service, Eurosports, would be oper-

were an "odious" attempt by Mr. ated by the union and a British

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ons will be the first U.S.-Soviet

Sports Channel for Europe

And a commentary by Tass ac-cused the Reagan administration of that it planned to start a sports Gomel region.

GENEVA - The European

"Washington's cynical attitude to-raised.



police art squad, displayed on Thursday four Impressionist works by Corot that she brought back to Paris from Tokyo. The paintings were stolen in 1984 from a museum in Semur-en-Auxois in central France and ended up in the hands of Japanese collectors.

funds, but for the right to pay the nurses extra money out of their existing budgets rather than being bound by the health authorities' pay rules. At present, an intensive-care unit nurse with nine years' experience earns about £10,000 (\$18,000).

#### Around Europe

Basque separatists have half a million signatures needed to propose legislation calling for self-determination. The Herri Batasuna party, widely seen as the political arm of the guerrilla group ETA said it wanted to submit a bill to the Spanish parliament that would recognize "the right to self-determination at all levels" for the Basques and other minority peoples in Spain. The 1978 constitution allows citizens to submit a draft bill supported by 500,000 signatures. Herri Batasuna representatives have been elected to both the Basque regional autonomous government and the central Madrid government but have refused to take

charges in Mr. Reagan's arms con- the Reagan administration.

intermediate-range nuclear weap- their equipment destroyed.

"past arguments." based on port to Congress accused Moscow

inform tourists about its hatching areas, according to the Sea Turtle

Protection Society in Greece. More than 200 turtles were injured off the western resort island of Zakinthos last summer by tourists in speedboats and fisher-men using dynamite, the group said. In addition, hundreds of eggs buried in the sand along is-land's Laganas Bay, one of the main hatching grounds in Europe, were crushed by beach umbrellas, cars and garbage-sweepine machines.

The European Convention for the Prevention of Torture has been signed by all member states of the Council of Europe except Turkey and Ireland. The convention permits the inspections of prisons, police stations and psychiatric hospitals in the council's 21 member nations by a committee of one representative from each member country. The committee has no legal power, but it will be able to exercise pressure

Mr. Reagan's arms control re-

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statement said.

The loggerhead turtle still faces | ber countries before it may take extinction despite a campaign to | effect.

A difficult question in a wine contest organized by the Paris newspaper Le Monde has caused the theft of a 1917 menu from a glass case at the Paris Museum of Contemporary History, according to Cécile Coutin, the museum's conservator. The menu listed the food and wine offered to General John J. Pershing by the French military authorities on June 23, 1917, shortly after he arrived as commander of the American Expeditionary Force, One of the contest's questions was to name the Burgundy wine that had been served. The museum received numerous phone calls and letters and the number of visitors leaped as soon as the quiz started in mid-October, Miss Coutin said. The thieves could have spared themselves the trouble, since the menu is reproduced in the museum's catalogue. The contest deadline expired this week, but the menu has not been

-SYTSKE LOOIJEN

by publishing its findings. The convention still must be ratified by the parliaments of seven mem-

#### ARMS: Reagan Vows to Press Human Rights at Summit KOREA: The Foreign Ministry called arms control treaty negotiated by

(Continued from Page 1) Some opposition candidates say

Campaign on TV

of violating the ABM Treaty by they may not be able to afford it. removing radars from a missile test All three leading contenders — Mr. Rob, Kim Dae Jung and Kim range in Kazakhstan to the Moscow region and to an electronics Young Sam - claim to be the In its statement, the Foreign front-runner, but there is no impar-Ministry said the Americans had tial evidence to support them, espebeen given "the necessary explanacially since opinion polls in South accusing the Soviet Union of ABM tion" about the Kazakhstan radars Korea are both unreliable and un- officials were "99 percent sure the

> were disassembled and most of Dae Jung is gaining ground, and that Mr. Roh is slipping. Some the games. The alert occurred after polls show margins that are too the Japanese police arrested a sus-

> > "I sense it's a dead heat," a political science professor said. "In such a close race, any new ingredient like television can have an impact."

Park Chung Hee in the last election, the chance to go on television the loss of the plane. tion, the chance to go on television

Reagan to "bolster up his own odi- company, News International. The that unprecedented move in order Since 1971 he repeatedly endured prison sentences, exile and North Korea has been lobbying to ty of building equipment to man- and said improvements had been ous reputation as a disrupter of channel will be available through- to cope with that far-fetched quesbouse arrest, and for years was virtually a nonperson on the statecontrolled networks, never seen ernment surrendered last summer to opposition demands for direct elections and made this campaign

> Mr. Roh, whose campaign has grown increasingly negative in tone, hammered away at his main campaign themes in his television Among those threatened before appearance — that he alone can who also received letters this time guarantee stability and that an op-

> > advocate a violent revolution.

twice at Mr. Sharim's house, and el with you is a sure avenue to a

Twenty minutes after he finished. Kim Dae Jung took his turn, offering himself to voters as the one man in the campaign who had suffered in the name of democracy. Tearfully, he told of seeing his family for what he thought might be the last time, in the early 1980s, when he was in prison under a death

He, too, mentioned stability, but with a twist. "Stability and reform are two sides of the same coin," he said, adding: "Should I be elected president, most of all I will be the messenger of peace and reconciliation between the different classes, the haves and have-nots."

#### U.S. Pays \$90 Million to UN

The Associated Press UNITED NATIONS, New day that Colonel Carlos Carreno
returned to Santiago after being set
free Wednerday in Perril by
\$90 million in back dues Thursday free Wednesday in Brazil by his to the United Nations, which said it would not be able to pay December He had been held for 93 days and salaries without the money. Wash-

# Seoul Warns Chirac Calls for a Vote of Confidence North Korea To Bolster Position at EC Conference In Inquiry of

By Barry James
International Herald Trabane
PARIS — Prime Minister Jac-

Airline Crash ques Chirac sought a vote of confidence Thursday in the National Assembly on the eve of his departure for the European Community summit conference in Copenhagen, where he faces questioning about his government's dealings with SEOUL - South Korea warned Thursday that it would end talks with North Korea on cooperating on the 1988 Seoul Olympics if it found proof that the North was

Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher of Britain told the House of Commons in London earlier this week that the subject was "bound to come up" when she saw Mr. Chirac at the summit meeting.

Diplomats and commentators the Korean Air Boeing 707 that said the vote of confidence was a vanished with 115 people aboard. They said they were checking to see maneuver to send Mr. Chirac to the Copenhagen meeting with clear support for his political and ecoif a third person could have been nomic policies. With a conservative In Bahrain, a woman suspected majority in the assembly, his govin the loss of the airliner regained ernment was certain to win. consciousness after a suicide at-

British officials have been highly critical of the French dealings with

Iran, which they see as a breach of an EC common front against terrorism and its sponsors.

Last weekend France obtained the release of two of five French hostages held by pro-Iranian militants in Beirut, and released an interpreter at the Iranian Embassy, Wahid Gordji, who had been wanted for questioning about allega-tions that he helped mastermind a series of bombings in Paris in March and September 1986.

Mr. Gordji was briefly questioned by a judge Sunday, then put on a plane to Karachi, Pakistan, where he was exchanged for the first secretary of the French Embassy in Tehran, Paul Torri.

Mr. Torri and eight colleagues were blockaded in their embassy for five months in retaliation for France's action in putting a ring of policemen around the Iranian Embassy in Paris to prevent Mr. Gordji's escape. Both blockades were lifted Monday.

Five members of the French Embassy staff returned Thursday to Paris, leaving a cipher clerk, a security guard and a vice consul Gé-

rard Toureille, to represent French interests at the Italian Embassy in Iran is keeping three diplomats the Pakistani Embassy in Paris

to represent its interests. The other 40 members of its embassy staff in Paris have been told to leave Mr. Chirac has said he will no restore diplomatic relations, which France broke July 17, as long Iranian-sponsored groups in Leba

non continue to hold foreign hos-

Deais Bandouin, the prime minister's spokesman, indicated that some of the heat had been taken out of the dispute with Britain by saying that the British ambassador. Sir Ewen Fergusson, had been "very much appeased" after the French External Affairs Ministry gave him details of its dealings wiff



French students during a march to the Senate on Thursday to protest a reduced national education budget and to mark the death of Malik Oussekine in student protests a year again

## Mismanagement Hobbles SDI Effort On Communications, Agency Says

By R. Jeffrey Smith Washington Past Service
WASHINGTON — The Penta-

gon's effort to design the communications network for a space-based missile defense, widely considered the paramount technical challenge of the Strategic Defense Initiative research program, has been hobbled by mismanagement and ineffi-cient spending for two years, according to a report by the General Accounting Office.

The congressional watchdog coys would probably fail. agency said after a yearlong study South Korea issued a terrorist aimed at providing the equipment General Accounting Office, needed to control hundreds of But many research con

defense against Soviet intercontinental ballistic missiles. ror group in Japan and officials could reduce the ability to provide sions to siphon "battle manageneeded information for an informed decision in the early 1990s the report said. on whether the whole system should be deployed. The Reagan

Korea Olympic Committee, said Seoul would end all talks with North Korea on sharing the Olymadministration has set the early 1990s as the target for such a deci-The Olympics are scheduled to be held in Seoul in September, but

Soviet space weapons, missiles and work earlier this year. nuclear warheads, called it "the

bility of foreseeable U.S. technol-Experts agree that without precise coordination, an attack by U.S.

gets in space are beyond the capa-

moving Soviet warheads and de-Strategic Defense Initiative offithat the SDI organization "needs to cials have spent \$605 million - or improve its ability to provide time- about one-tenth of their total bud-

space weapons and sensors in a awarded to private industry have The GAO said the problems in the program's priorities or deci-

paramount strategic defense prob-iem" in a report in December 1985. SDI research managers pointed in funding were to blame.

defensive weapons against swiftly

ly and effective management direc-tion and oversight" for the effort, search since 1984, according to the

But many research contracts been canceled before the work was completed because of sudden shifts

A Strategic Defense Initiative spokesman acknowledged that "there were some inefficiencies caused by program realignment" in battle management research but at-

ment" funds for other programs,

A panel of expert scientific ad- tributed the problems to budget visers, noting the inherent difficul- constraints imposed by Congress age a battle between U.S. and made since auditors finished their

The General Accounting Office

Critics have argued that the computer and communications require-ganization's "inadequate direction ments for split-second attacks on and planning" as the major cans thousands of potential Soviet tar-gets in space are beyond the capa-despite official Pentagon asserting that staff shortages and inadequal

The office said, for example, the outside experts had urged the age. cy to design the overall missile de fense system with "battle manage ment" needs in mind, but said the organization had "made little pri

gress" in accomplishing this nearly two years." Instead, officials develops overall designs for an missile d lense system in space with litt concern for potential shortfalls i ...

"battle management" equipmen it said. Once this oversight was reognized, some of the work had! be redone at a cost of more this: \$16 million.

The office said that SDI officia decided early this year to dek"indefinitely" a final design for the missile defense system "because"
the need to better ensure" integr tion of battle management equi ment in the design. The arm which has coordinated some k battle management research, mi have to rework its effort all spending more than \$32 millio the office said.

#### (AP, UPI, AFP) CHILE: For Santiago Actors, the Drama of Opposition and rarely mentioned until the gov-

international agreements."

Eventually, they were able to

warehouse. The actors and directors said the threats began to arrive on Oct. 30. Twenty-five people reported re-ceiving individually addressed

The recipients were advised to try.

copies of a typed letter.

um shortly before starting time and actors reported that a later letter to found policemen lined up to turn some of them said the threat was destine parties," apparently a referpiece the evening together at the ence to the Communist Party and its armed affiliate, the Manuel Ro-

driguez Patriotic Front.

all of the members of each group. plays what is going on in our coun-

DU 10 DÉCEMBRE

**AU 10 JANVIER** 

MARCEL

MARCEAU

Edgardo Bruna, a stage and television actor who is also president of Sidarte, the actors' union, said he thought the theater people had In addition, six theater groups been singled out because "since the with a total of 53 people received coup, Chilean actors have had a letters that were presumed to cover tradition of telling through our

would like to be members of clan- scale.

(Continued from Page I) flee the country or face the possibilwhen they arrived at the gymnasiity of being killed. Some of the journalists, politicians, human possible. rights workers and others, had been threatened before but that this was intended for those "who are or the first threat on such a broad

> were Nissim Sharim and Delfina position victory will lead to chaos. Guzmán, leading members of Ic-1960s and has won acclaim on for-

Bombs have been discovered both he and Miss Guzman have bright future," Mr. Roh said. reported receiving dozens of threatening telephone calls.

The most recent letus play, "Something in the Air," is about people who disappear after being detained by the authorities. Nearly 700 people have disappeared that way in Chile, most during the first four years of the regime, 1973 to 1977, but five members of the Communist Party have been reported missing since September.

■ Pinochet Renews Powers General Pinochet renewed Thursday the emergency powers giving him the right to restrict free-dom of movement, assembly and information for another 90 days.

Reuters reported from Santiago. The powers, in force without interruption since the military seized power in 1973, were renewed on the day that Colonel Carlos Carreno

leftist guerrilla captors. was taken to a military hospital, ington still owes more than \$250

#### Chamlong Salikhupta, secretary of the Communications Ministry, said that after four days of searching,

printable without risk of prosecu-Many experts give Kim Young Sam a slight edge. Others say Kim alert last week against possible at-

"The Soviet Union has no systems which the American side mistook for mobile ABM radars," the slender to be statistically meaning-Referring to another U.S. charge involving the so called Flat Twin

For Kim Dae Jung, who lost to

tives to inspect the two types of was especially gratifying. radars. "The Soviet Union made

He accused the anti-government tus, a theater group that has per-forces of being "held hostage" by formed political works since the extreme radicals who "do not hesitate in their private gatherings to

"The path that I promise to trav-

## FIRMS: Arms-Length Relationship for U.S. and Japanese Investment House

have some of the games and cere-

monies moved there.

firms at their own game. firms at their own game.

But the Japanese maintain that funds available for investments they are interested in crafting the outside Japan is mammoth: Japanese right arrangements — to give them nese institutions — primarily insurgood financial advice and the best ance companies and trust banks -

than in snapping up a bargain.
"It's a formula," said Mr. Rona. ity shareholder and not actively in-direct access to Wall Street," said

volved in the firms." ulations are also spurring the ac- Graduate School of Business in quisition binge. The changes have New York City.

allowed more pension and other "They want to keep better track institutional capital to be invested outside Japan. Although the rela- ed. Given this motivation, few real tively high returns on American se- combinations should be expected curities are proving attractive, the from these minority arrangements. Japanese firms are nonetheless ner"There's no cross-fertilization

personal relationships — rather have more than \$1.1 trillion that than in snapping up a bargain. could be invested offshore. "These insurance companies "Some Japanese insurance compa- want to tell their clients that they nies and banks want to be a minor- have this American presence and

Yoshi Tsurumi, professor of inter-Recent changes in Japanese reg-national business at the Baruch

of American investments," he add-

investors. "The Japanese are buy-

that the Japanese investment activadditional capital, said Perrin Sumitomo, sources close to Go Long, an analyst with Lipper Analystical Securities. "If there are to be any operational synergies," he said, they may come somewhat later."
While the Goldman, Sachs and

Shearson arrangements with the Japanese are still quite fresh, they have taken different paths. The Sumitom-Goldman relationship turned out to be more dis-

(Continued from Page 1) vous about making the wrong ingain financial skills that one day could be used to beat American the interest in Wall Street firms.

expected, said Paul K. Kelly, president of Peers & Co., a New York merchant bank backed by Japanese Board, the U.S. central bank, the Sumitomo's acquisition would vi ing relationships that they will be late the Glass-Steagall law separation comfortable with and that's a traditionally Japanese way of doing banking, the two parties ha maintained a hands-off relatio For their part, the Americans are ship. The Japanese commend more than happy to have the fees bank wields no influence in Gol. man management, and Goldmi ities generate - not to mention the has received no extra business fro

The Shearson-Nippon deal about six months old and Nipp Life has sent 28 people to Shears for a year-long training program learn English and American inve ment banking and trading skil Shearson has also completed fo private placements of securiti with Nippon as the lender at

#### tant than analysts say either party Shearson clients as the borrow ALLIES: Meeting in 1979 Laid the Groundwork for Current Missile According

Asked if the zero-zero outcome was envisaged at Guadeloupe, he said: By at least two people: Jimmy

Mr. Giscard d'Estaing, who at Guadeloupe argued that the Soviets would only negotiate if the West fielded its own new missiles, also said he supported the forthcoming

(Continued from Page 1)

He expressed regret that the were ployment of new missiles or by a four-power meeting in Guadeloupe siles. Set in motion a process that culming the control of th

"If we had had a symmetrical Western summit now," he said, "Europe could have expressed our approbation of the treaty and the in 1979 he hoped the Soviet Union West could have laid down our new guidelines: no denuclearization of

Europe."

But he acknowledged that the nine-year process took a toll, notably in the account of a toll, notably in the account of a toll, notably in the account of the treaty's toll of his own positions and the continuity in U.S.-European coordination, he said, had taken away some of the treaty's trol of his own position. taken away some of the treaty's trol of his own party, and West bly in the growth of anti-nuclear luster as a Western success and German public opinion has be- ance's permanence. The America feeling in West Germany since the psychologically damaged the cause come increasingly favorable to- will always want to have a thumb

He expressed regret that the were crucial in deploying the mis- eliminate nuclear weapons in

His remarks appeared to refer nated in a two-power summit meeting in Washington.

The had had a symmetrical partly to Mr. Schmidt, whose support for the NATO plan to deploy and negotiate failed to convince his own Social Democratic Party rank and file.

> would quickly strike a deal on intermediate-range missiles and open the way to disarmament talks on

Mr. Schmidt and Mr. Brzezins

who in recent years have been cri cal of one another, were in unis Thursday in denying that the m sile treaty has weakened trans-/ But they based their confider

on assertions and avoided analy ing the intervening developmen

"I've never worried about the 2 public debates that started in 1979. of some European politicians who ward proposals to reduce and even the European pie."

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## TRAVELER'S **CHOICE**

Wren Church Is Reopened

Prince Charles may have harsh words for modern architects and their patrons, but he should be cheered to know of the restoration and reopening of one of the City of London's famous Wren churches, St. Stephen Wal-brook. And to hear that the main benefector of the 20year, £2-million project was none other than Sir Peter Palumbo, the financier who recently wanted to clear an ancient area of the City to build a tower block by Mies van der Rohe, but was thwarted by traditionalist conserva-tionists led by the prince. Considered to be a model for St. Paul's Cathedral, St. Stephen Walbrook was built by Sir hristopher Wren in the 1670s. It was closed after its dome regan to sink, and exterior cracks appeared when the Walbrook River, now an underground stream, shifted the foundations. The dome's supporting columns have been strengthened and repairs made to the foundations. A 10-ton marble altar by Henry Moore, known as "The Camembert" to its critics, stands beneath the dome. The organ has also been restored and will be used for Friday recitals. St. Stephen Walbrook is open to visitors from 10 A.M. to 3 P.M. Monday through Friday and 12:30 to 1:30 P.M. on Sunday. It is closed on Saturday.

#### Choral Christmas in England

Choral singing comes to the fore in England during the Christmas season, ut getting tickets at the most popular ser-vices in Oxford and ambridge can be a problem. Informaabout holiday rol services and reitals in both cities is vailable from inforation centers at St. Idate's, Oxford

heel Street, Cambridge (tel: 322.640). The Choir of ng's College, Cambridge, will perform on Dec. 17 at the Jarbican Centre in London, and on Dec. 21 at the mape Maltings, Aldeburgh, Suffolk. Details of future concrete and recitals are available from the Cambridge Festival Association, Mandela House, 4 Regent Street, Cambridge CB2 1BY (tel: 358.977). In Oxford, the Christ

hurch Cathedral Choir sings its Christmas program at the hurch Cathedral Choir sings its Christmas program at the Lie Sheldonian Theatre Dec. 12, and Dec. 13-14 sings a arols by Candelight program. Tickets and information re available from "Music at Oxford," 6a Commor Hill, Oxford (tel: 864.056). The brochure, "Singing in Cathedrals," available from British Tourist Authority offices, ists details of choral services around Britain.

lungary to Celebrate Photography

Hungary will celebrate the 150th birthday of photograly in 1989 by hosting an international photo competition
d exhibition. More than 5,000 press photographers
m around the world will be invited to submit work on mes ranging from war, famine and ecology to work;

- iture and the famous. Judges from East and West will
ard cash prizes and medals and there will be a special ard casa prizes and menals and there will be a special ard for the "most humane" press photo. The birthday of otography is accepted as Jan. 7, 1839, when the enchman Louis Daguerre reproduced a picture on a light-istitue metal plate, although other sources credit omas Wedgwood and William Fox Talbot, both English, ... th developing photographic techniques earlier.

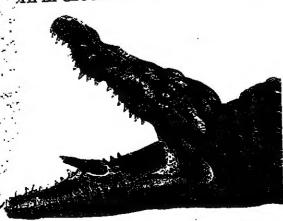
oace Center Gets Disney Treatment

The Johnson Space Center in Houston, home of the The Johnson Space Center in Houston, home of the tional Aeronautics and Space Administration's manned toe center, will be getting a 50-acre visitor's facility to designed by Disney Imagineering, the architects of Disdand and Disney World. The new center is schedd to open in 1991. In the past, visitors at Houston's bigtourist attraction have been left on their own to nder the halls, hunt for astronauts and peer into mission attrol centers. "They can sit in the cafeteria next to an itrol centers. They can sit in the cafeteria next to an ronaut and not know he's an astronaut," said Harold Il, a planner for the new center.

ost in South America

eeling lost in Lima? The second-floor office of the 1th American Explorers Club offers first-hand information on South American travel. The club has hundreds eports filled out by members and advisers, the majority n the United States. The club, which was founded in 7, has a reading room, a library loaded with travel ks and a map room. It will confirm reservations, rece or forward mail and, most important, plan trips. Restricted by members include data such as prices, sel time and essential items to take along. Members can e equipment and valuables as well as buy tents. ret time and essential items to take along. Members can re equipment and valuables as well as buy tents, res and things that other members have left behind. The res street address in Lima is Avenida Republica de tugal 146. Brena, and its mailing address is Casilla 3714, 12 100. Peru. Membership is \$25 a year.

eril in Crocodile Dundee Country



A big increase in the number of visitors to Australia has coincided with a sharp rise in the crocodile population in the Northern Territory. Perhaps they heard about the King of Street of Ward movie. In any case tourism officials have reminded people that they should exercise extreme caution in areas where crocodiles are found and should comply with all where crocodiles are found and should comply with all warning notices about them. Six people have been killed by crocodiles in the last 20 months and many others injured, and officials say that in all cases the incidents happened because people ignored warnings about the dangers. Notices that say "Crocodiles frequent this area. Keep children and small animals away from the shorelines" in propular spots for visitors, most of them in are posted in popular spots for visitors, most of them in Kakadu National Park in the Northern Territory. But the irea is so vast that officials say notices cannot be put up everywhere, not to mention that many visitors have been itealing the signs as souvenirs. This has apparently abated a bit since copies of the signs have gone on sale in ouverur shops.





T'S that time of the year again, when cities around the world light up their streets with stars, and stores display snow and reindeer, and television blares out commercials for dolls and robots, and social organizations remind people that Christmas is a

The holiday season is the joy of romantics and cynics alike, since what makes one group misty-eyed makes the other savage. Few cynics ever said it better than mathematician-songwriter Tom Lehrer: 'Kill the turkeys, ducks and chickens / Mix the punch / Drag out the Dickens / Even though the prospect sickens / Brother, here we go

Still, for a lot of people Christmas is a time to enjoy, even if this most Christian of bolidays is celebrated in the most pagan of ways, and with studied overindulgence: The morning after is felt in both the wallet and the liver.

But we've heard all this before.

Around the world, the symbols and the revelry are much the same, but each country interprets them differently, and a traveler at Christmas may find some exotic and unexpected festivity. In the Far East, Santa Claus must vie with Hindu and Chinese figures - notably dragons this year to greet the year of the same. In the American Far West, people decorate their Saguaro cactuses. London signals the beginning of the season by turning on the lights on Regent Street. The Paris Hôtel de Ville shows a huge Nativity scene.

This section looks at gifts for travelers, at Sweden's traditional smorgasbord, at Singapore's riot of lights and its three-month-long holiday season, and at the rites in Scotland - where many people are more interested in the New Year's celebration, which goes on for two blurry days.

# **Anytime Gifts** For Travelers

by Betsy Wade **▼** EW YORK —The best

travel gift we ever got

high-quality folding binoculars. They are now the second thing written on the family packing lists, after plane tickets.

The binoculars fold to slide into a jacket pocket or an evening purse. They work well for looking at distant natural wonders, they gather some light for picking out buildings in skylines at night, they find birds in the marsh and they work just as well at the ballet. This is a gift for someone really special, or for a whole family, because it can cost several hundred dollars and there's no point in getting a pair with inad-equate lenses. When we start picking out travel gadgets for gifts, they have to measure against the bench mark of the binoculars: They enhance the pleasures in travel and they are easy to pack and carry

A travel clock with an alarm also ranks high, particularly for anyone who will move through several time zones and change hotels frequently. The numerals should be visible in a dark room, and the clock should not require electricity. It should fold to protect the face of the clock when it's in the suitcase. One longtime traveler swears by a Japanese made "international travel alarm" offered by L.L. Bean for \$23 (People living outside the United States can order through the L.L. Bean catalogue, with credit cards). A knurled rim around its face can be rotated to show the time in another city, a help for those who share my tendency to calculate in the wrong

direction. People who believe they were born to shop always carry a canvas bag or collapsible suitcase inside their regular suitcase, so they have a place to consolidate all the stuff they buy. Such an item is useful even for those who do not defoliate the stores wherever they go, be-cause even the clothes brought from home never seem to fit back into the bag they came in. The extra bag should not be so cheap that the dye rubs off on clothes inside the main suitcase on the outbound trip, and it should be light. One shop calls its choice, which folds up into its own nylon pocket, the last-min-

There are a number of pillows of value to the traveler. Inflatable neck pillows for napping on a plane or in an auto are made in models for children and adults. Deflated, they take no room at all. For children over 3, one model, the Snoozle, has a cover in the shape of an

imaginary animal. The adult ver-sion, covered in plain poplin, is called the Hedbed. Both of these, costing about \$10, tuck under the jaw on one side. They are available at Eastern Mountain Sports stores, among other places. The larger in-flatable SleepOver, at \$12, curves around the neck for relaxing with the head leaned back. Covered in a suede-like gray washable rayon, it is sold through a number of cata-logues, including Orvis's.

A high-quality small flashlight is an excellent travel gift. The year of the great energy shortage in London, we took a big flashlight to get around the streets, and though it turned out not to be really vital then, we have since become accustomed to having a flashlight for walking down unlighted roads in Maine, or finding hard-to-see room locks and things that roll under the bed. There are inexpensive dispos-able flashlights, but the more expensive ones that use batteries give adequate light for a lot of purposes and won't decide to die in the clutch. Mine has a loop to attach a cord or lanyard.

RIENDS of ours — obsessive, romantic travelers who once went to Singapore just because they wanted to be able to get into a cab and say, "The Raffles Hotel, driver!" — eventually decided to stop taking photographs on their trips. They concluded that taking pictures distracted them from the joy of looking and absorbing new places and that their dinner guests were not interested in looking at slides anyway. There is a germ of wisdom in that, but most of us like to have a photo of the gar-den where we ate the pub hunch or of the color of the water inside the

One recent development in the photography department is what the professionals call the idiotproof 35-mm camera. This has an automatic focus and sometimes, in the words of one catalogue, "fully auto everything," Almost every big manufacturer makes one, and they cost around \$100. These cameras are small and do not have a pro-truding lens; they slide shut so they can be dropped into a purse or

Some relatively serious photographers who are uneasy about parading around a big city with a camera poking off the hip will switch to one of these to have something at hand for candid shots. The shutters are also somewhat quieter than those of the more serious cameras. These cameras may also en-

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How to Keep a Step Ahead

the consulate nearest your home; you are always liable to be called for an interview.

Consulates run time-consuming checks on

non-residents. If you have been refused a

visa you're not likely to get one for the same country elsewhere. Consulates sometimes put a discreet sign, or code, at the back of a passport, which alerts their colleagues. For

example, the United States and India do

It's always a good idea to apply in per-

son; consigning your passport to the mail is scary sometimes. You can often iron out

problems on the spot and check that the visa

nas been properly issued. "With rare excep-

tions any passport that is mailed to a consul-ate is tackled in a slightly different way." Mahoney says. "It's delayed weeks rather than days; at least two weeks with most and

up to four and six weeks with others." On the

other hand, you can spend hours waiting in

line; a good reason for using a visa service.

are returned is improper documentation. Ac-

cording to Mahoney, on some days one-third

of postal visa applications at the U.S. Consulate in London are rejected due to incor-

rect paperwork. So read everything carefully

and back your case with ample documents

(overkill never hurts). Visa authorities are

primarily looking for evidence of financial

support, that you have a clear intention to

leave the country and that you are not a

• Decide whether you need a tourist or

business visa. For some countries there is a

crucial difference in formalities. If you are a

tourist a letter from an employer saying

you're expected back and a photocopy of a

round-trip ticket will often be enough. (If

you don't want to pay for your ticket right

away, ask your travel agent to issue a dummy one). For a business visa you'll probably

have to supply a letter from your company or an "invitation" from a business contact in

the country you plan to visit. A letter (some

countries insist on an original) is better than

a telex, although a telex sent directly to the consulate is useful. Check whether a vaccina-

tion certificate is required with your applica-

you want (business or tourist) and make sure

Be sure you get a double- or multiple-

entry visa to countries like India and Saudi

Arabia. You may need to go back on a

business trip. The application forms may not

provide for this. You have to make a special point. Otherwise you'll be given single entry.

Do not assume from past experience that things will go smoothly. Different con-

sulates for the same nation may have differ-

ent guidelines based on how given nationals

are viewed in a country for trade or diplo-

end even if it is possible (Egypt for example). It's often a hassle, And there's a risk that the

irline may not let you board the plane.

Check whether you need an exit visa

especially for African countries. (You may

find tee-shirts, ballpoint pens and cigarette

If you're going to Israel or South Africa.

stamp. This can avoid problems with other

ed by fussier cameras.

carry-on fanatic, but I hate storing

one of these devices in the overhead

compartment because the wheels

are usually dirty and might foul

the plane have found that though

the luggage fits, they must check

F you buy one for a gift, be

sure that the wheels have little

fenders or wire guards; the

wheels on one of my carts once ground right through the fabric of a

neavily laden suitcase that drooped

onto them. Make the best compro-

mise you can between lightness and

toughness. If you study the types

that are used by the flight atten-

dants, you will see choices made for

A long-time Caribbean traveler

swears by her light, inexpensive poncho. She packs it instead of an

the cart anyway.

heavy use.

• Don't rely on getting a visa at the other

that it's a current one.

matic reasons.

countries.

Get the right form for the type of visa

criminal risk.

The main reason why visa applications

In the Eternal Visa Game

by Roger Collis

co-founded two years ago in London:
"A guy in the Middle East on a sales trip

suddenly needed to visit Kuwait to tie up a contract. There was no way he could get a

visa out there in time. We arranged to get

him a second passport in London plus a Kuwait visa which we sent by courier to his

world cruise on the QE2 found two hours

before they were due to sail from Southamption they hadn't got U.S. visas. Both thought the other had done this. We picked up their passports, took photos, filled out the forms, got their visas. We got the passports to New York in time for their arrival."

Visa Shop charges £10 (about \$16.50) for

most visa applications (£7.50 to travel

agents), plus consular fees and out-of-pocket

expenses such as courier charges. Airport delivery to Heathrow and Gatwick is £15.

"We use Visa Shop information regularly in our newsletters," says Amanda Pelham

Burn, a partner of Odyssey Consultants in

London, which specializes in adventure trav-

el. Says Anne-Marie Barrett, a director of

STA Travel in London: "Tom is marvelous. Visa Shop got me a tourist visa to China

when my first application had been turned

"We wanted to reach everyone, not just business people," Mahoney says, "About 15.5 million people travel from the U.K.

each year and at least 4.5 million need visas.

We handle 80 to 100 a day. People are

traveling more but the world is getting

France, which demands visas for non-EC nationals. But visa applications should never

be taken for granted. Two of the toughest

countries, according to Mahoney, are Ku-wait and Saudi Arabia. "I find Kuwait most

unhelpful, also very petty. They go into great

detail - who you are going to see and why,"

he says. "Saudi Arabia is quite tricky. They

have a system of requiring an 'authorization code,' which has to be telexed or sent by

diplomatic bag from Jedda to the consulate

to meet up with your application. Then you need an AIDS certificate. The U.S. is not as

simple as it seems and Canada is not to be

taken lightly. Countries are wary of certain categories such as students and journalists."

Never travel on a passport that has less than six months to run. Countries that give

automatic six-month validity may not give you a visa otherwise. Keep at least one clear

page. Some consulates may require both a

free left- and right-hand page. Renew your passport, whatever the expiry date, if you're

Check whether you can get a second

passport to travel on while your other one is

tied up with visa applications. This is possi-

ble for U.S. and British nationals.

• Apply in good time and for all the visas

you are likely to need for a trip. Never rely

on picking up a visa on the road. But be

aware that certain countries impose a time

limit from the date of issue (typically three months) for using the visa, which is inclusive

Whenever possible apply for a visa at need.

running short of pages.

Here is some of Mahoney's advice:

Some countries are fairly lenient, such as

"An elderly couple who had saved up for a

hotel in Jedda.

AUTIONARY tales told by Tom

Mahoney, managing director of Visa Shop, a personalized service for visas and passports, which he

"Mineral waters have a pharmaceutical

about \$95, for the minimum 12-day cure.) The ancients knew that the waters cured, but they didn't know why," he continues.

between these natural drugs and the human body. The delusion with chemical medicine, best typified in the thalidomide tragedy, has brought many people back to the waters, or some for the first time. "Some people think the effect is psychoso-

too. Whatever works."

water down on a duodenal ulcer.

of your length of stay — Egypt, Nepal and Burma, for example, India allows six months from date of issue plus a three-month stay.

exotic places, check if the operator is looking after the visas. Not all do. In which case their ability to cure mai di fegato, the supposed malaise of the liver that seems to don't pay until you have all the visas you

pour. These are \$5 or so and can be

would make welcome gifts for

younger people who use backpacks

to keep their hands free; a back-

sized wallets start to look messy

when holding bills of different shapes and sizes. There are a num-

ber of models that unfold to hold

I have taken to carrying a chil-

dren's snub-nosed scissors in my

purse because they do not perplex

the security people at the airport

the way pointed scissors do. To get

good blades you will probably want

to go to the sewing department

Other super-modest travel gifts

are stretchable clotheslines and

plastic clothespins with hooks on

the upper end to hang over the

\$ 1987 The New York Times

rather than the toy department.

various currencies.

shower rod.

pack is no place for the wallet.

The Virtues of Italy's Volcanic Activity

by Susan Lumsden

ONTECATINI TERME, Italy - The liquid capital, the cor-nucopia side of the coin that features the cataclysmic earthquakes and volcanoes of Italy is the curative water that springs eternal from the country's

Mount Ema, the largest active volcano in Europe, also offers one of the oldest spas, the Thermae Xiphonie at Acireale. It was founded by the Greeks about the sixth century B.C. when Sicily was the finest colony of Magna Graecia. More or less contemporary was Saturnia, in what is now southern Tus-

cany, probably the first urban agglomeration in Italy and the thermal spa of the Etruscans. Toward the time of Christ, the Romans developed their ablutions to a rite. This began in the lukewarm tepidarium, advanced to the hot water caldarium, then to rest in the laconicum, and finally the plunge into the frigidarium to tone the skin and mind. From England to Palestine, the Roman baths were immense architectural achievements. Their foundations remain like sunken pyramids, perhaps more tangible monuments to a great race of builders than

their teetering triumphal arches.

Of all the thermae, though, the most treasured were the ones heated and steeped in minerals from Italy's rich, volcanic soil. Viterbo, Cutilia and Tivoli, nearer Rome, were sequestered by the emperors for their private consumption, internal and external. With the arrival of the barbarians, bathing declined drastically. It was further discouraged by the Christian clergy of the Middle Ages who associated cleanliness more with the licentiousness that also made baths notorious at the end of the empire.

Tuscany emerged from the Dark Ages, the curative powers of water were rediscovered at Montecatini, midway between Florence and Pisa. In spite of the cosmetic ads dating Montecatini to the time of the Etruscans, the person who really put it on the map was a Renaissance merchant of Prato, Francesco Datini, who invented the promissory note, commissioned monumental fresco cycles and assuaged his liver ailments at Montecatini. He then advised the distinguished doctors of Florence

effect. They are natural drugs," explains Dr. Duilio Magrini, the current medical director of the Terme di Montecatini. Today it is the largest of the 200 or more Italian spas and open all year round, along with Merano, Abano, Agnano, Saturnia and Ischia. (Low season winter rates start at 115,000 lire,

Now we are discovering the relationship

matic. But many diseases, particularly those caused by stress, are psychosomatic. If the cause is psychosomatic, then the cure can be,

RST, Magrini advises a thorough checkup, either by a personal physician or by one of the specialists associated with the Terme clinic. Otherwise, he warns, it might be more beneficial to drink a paper handy for smoothing the way with officials.) ask for a separate sheet for the visa or entry good glass of Chianti than to pour purgative

 If you're going on a package tour to exotic places, check if the operator is looking haunt mainly the French and the Italians.

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courage people who are intimidat- ready to meet an afternoon down-

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rections on luggage carts. When and catalogues. Most have little confronted with a long flight of packets for carrying. They're not

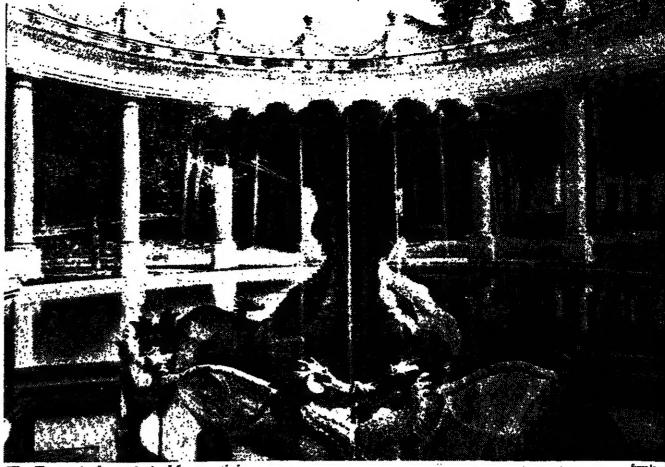
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The Tettuccio fountain in Montecatini.

Other baths are noted for other cures: Saturnia for dermatological, Salsomaggiore near Parma for gynecological, and Sirmione on Lake Garda for respiratorial complaints. The waters can be imbibed, inhaled vaporonsly or bathed in. The fastest effect is from the newly popular hot mud baths, which seem to relax one even more than a sauma.

The eight types of water that surge forth at Montecatini contain magnesium, bromide, potassium, iodine, calcium and other minerals that ease digestion, reduce blood cholesterol and even stimulate hormones. There is also lithium, often used to help stabilize schizophrenic and manic-depressive swings.

THE best-known water from Montecatini is Tettuccio, bortled and sold like . a vintage wine throughout Italy. Its name comes from the little roof, or tettuccio, placed over one of the springs like a crown by the republic of Florence in 1370 to facilitate the extraction of the mineral salts. The final benediction was given by a certain Ugolino da Simone, who wrote a scientific treatise on the subject ("De Balneorum Ita-liae Proprietatibus") in 1417 and thus be-came Ugolino da Montecatini, the founder of hydrology.

Framing the Tettuccio fountain is a neoclassic portico inaugurated in 1775 by Grand Duke Leopold L His addiction to curative waters was probably acquired at Karlsbad the famous Bohemian spa, where he had spent much of his formative years with other members of the uncorrodible Habsburg-Lorraine dynasty.

With the advent of the railroad in the 19th century, spas became more accessible to many more people who also had the new industrial money to pay for them. In the 1920s, Montecatini blossomed under the direction of the architect Ugo Giovannozzi. His travertine interpretations of the Tuscan neoclassical style can be seen in the newer baths, Leopoldine, Regina and La Salute. But the interiors are Art Nouveau, known in Italy as Liberty style and best enshrined in the Montecatini town hall just across from the major watering stations on Via Verdi, the main street named after the composer, who basked tepidly in Montecatini water during the time he wrote "Otello."

Other famous habitués have included not only the old European aristocracy and the new and old bourgeoisie, but American film stars. The most recent cinematic celebration of Montecatini is as a location for Nikita Mikhalkov's "Oci Ciornie," starring Marcello Mastroianni.

The tone of Montecatini has changed since the days of the visiting aristocracy. One reason is democracy in Italy. Article 36 of the reformed health law of 1978 makes it possible for all Italians to take the waters freely with a letter of introduction from their

"Who wants to spend 300,000 lire a night to stay in an elegant hotel in order to rub shoulders by day with gli operai?" asked one member of the professional classes.

Leonardo's drawing of an old man and water currents.

also political. While the waters clearly reduce the cholesterol in the bloodstream, no Italian government wants to take the responsibility of eliminating the lead in gasoline, much less abolishing the beloved car from medieval city centers. As a result, strolling, vital to the digestive process, is no longer as purifying as it could be, in spite of the extensive gardens and recreation facilities surrounding the waters of Montecatini.

Someone who had a morbid fascination for water was Leonardo da Vinci, whose spired by what he saw at Montecatini, which he called Bagno, or Bath. Canals, currents, bubbles, siphons, snorkels, dams, even a plan for the deviation of the flood-prone Arno River are featured in Leonardo's nature drawings. Leonardo's first known drawing is a land-scape looking from Lamporecchio to Monte-

carini. He did it in 1473, when he was 21, explains Carlo Pedretti, a jovial academic who teaches at the University of California. "In fact, the dreamy, vaporous backgrounds of the 'Mona Lisa,' the 'Madonna of the Rocks' and the 'Madonna dei Fusi' are right there in Leonardo's own childhood Valinicvole, which means 'valley of the mists.' " It can be best seen today from the funicular behind the baths on Viale Diaz up to the medieval village of Montecatini Alto. Vinci, where the artist was born in a simple house to an unmarried peasant girl is only a few

kilometers away.
In the fall of 1988 Pedretti and his wife Rosanna, both from Bologna, will open their Lamporecchio villa, currently being re-stored, as a Leonardo study center. The 17 rooms will also be home to five live-in Leonardo scholars.

Another Leonardo landmark will soon be

"Bagno" in the artist's Paris Manuscript i (1508) and sponsored by the commune of Montecatini. This will be the first time pure idea of Leonardo has been realized,

HE fountain will be a tribute not just to the greatest of Renaissance men bu to the life-giving properties of wate "In the beginning there was water," read Genesis. Says Pedretti: "Leonardo was fasc nated by what he called Le aque particolate unborn child and almost everything in th universe. I think Le Corbusier would have liked to interpret Leonardo's fountain."

As it is, the person responsible will b Montecatini's town architect, Vitale Modica also an artist. The fountain, he insists, coul only be marble from nearby Carrara, cut b laser - all the better for realizing Leonal do's fascination with water as a spectacle.

And, if something further is required, th traveler has all the smaller Tuscan cities o art - Pisa, Pistoia, Prato and Lucca within an hour's drive and much less cor gested than Florence. (Regular bus service t all is provided by the Lazzi line in Via Tot Montecatini.) There is also the town of Co lodi, where Pinocchio was invented by Carl Lorenzini. The sights there include a statu to the wily little fellow by Emilio Greco, an a theater.

Beyond, there is the Mediterranean, th cradle of civilizations but now the rath polluted playground of millions, particular in July and August. Better repair to the purifying waters. As even the bellicose Remans said: "Ubi thermae, ibi salus; ubi si lus, ibi serenitas."

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#### Another problem, he ventured, is the car, the elaborate fountain prescribed for Florence. Some Restaurants of Paris Past

ARIS - If I had not been to Paris in a long time and wanted an instant hit of Paris past, I'd head straight from the train station or airport to La Tour de Monthléry, a modest, bustling, elbow-to-elbow bistro in the heart of old Les Halles. The walls chockablock with art, hams and sausages dangling from the beams, and waiters who gently tease every woman in sight, this long, narrow bistro is right out of an old-time French film.

Lots of hugging and handshaking goes on here, for most of the crowd is made up of regulars, but that doesn't mean that strangers are met with cold, dark stares. Much of the food is remarkably good and fresh, par-ticularly the state-of-the art curly endive salad (tossed with Poilane's country bread and deliciously laden with garlic) and the soul-satisfying mutton with white beans, served in gigantic portions out of huge white porcelain gratin dishes. The house Brouilly goes down very well, and waiters serve up endless baskets of fresh Poilane bread.

If I were a cartoonist, I would come here just to sketch the clientele, mostly beefy, happy, hearty men who seem to be living a fine gastronomic life indeed.

If you haven't thought ahead to reserve at La Tour, you might try your luck, as I did one evening last week, and find a welcoming table at Pharamond, a short walk away. Pharamond — which also calls itself A la Petite Normande - is one of those old-time tried and true, beautiful Parisian restaurants that seem to age very well. Traditional, graceful and spotless, this high-class bistro is lmost an anachronism in a neighborhood

overrun with fast-food eateries and trendy boutiques.

Pharamond's Belle Epoque interior is among the most beautiful in Paris, with stunning pastel tiles, grand mirrors, cozy PATRICIA WELLS banquettes and crisp white damask linens. Even the waiters seem to have come out of the past, professionals who know how to

healthy dose of personal service and charm at the same time. The food here is wearing well. Although I have to confess that tripes a la mode de Caen (tripe cooked in apple cider and served in old-fashioned brass braziers) is not one of my favorite dishes, this is the place in Paris to sample it if you are so inclined. My tastes lean toward other wintry specialties that they do so well, including a warming first course of well-seasoned pork sausage accompanied by sliced, warm potatoes bathed in vinaigrette, or their famous coquilles Saint-Jacques au cidre, a Norman-inspired dish

keep their distance, yet manage to dish out a

that is on the menu well into spring. If the poule faisane is on the menu when you go, try it. I will never quite understand why simple roast fowl is so difficult to find anywhere in France. Our order of tender female pheasant — roasted for two — was perfectly moist delicate and flavorful served with healthy helpings of crisp pommes soufflées, little inflated pillows of twice-fried potatoes. Other worthy main courses include the noisettes d'agneau and

fine, tender, filet de veau. Dessert offering include a superb tarte Tatin served will generous portions of crème fraîche.

A third neighborhood spot well work exploring is La Fermette du Sud-Ouest, country auberge in the center of the city. It a great buy, and on top of that you're offere the personality and the talent of Christia Naulet, a butcher turned restaurateur. Wit his booming voice and handlebar mustache Naulet plays out an aggressive, temperamen tal role, but beneath the bluster there is dedicated cook, a proud butcher's son an native of the French southwest. Nauk offers a fine human touch as he wander from table to table, taking orders for hi superb homemade blood sausage (boudi noir), personally spooning out the first help ing of his copious cassoulet (a hearty dis that includes his homemade pork sausages pouring the first sip of his nicely chose Madiran wine.

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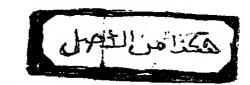






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# Santa Meets Dragons

by Paul Zach

INGAPORE — There are neon angels on buildings and painted rick-shaws with holiday paintings on the roads. Vendors in shorts and T-shirts roast chestnuts on the street corners. And hundreds of illuminated snowflakes drip from lines draped over Orchard Road, creating a corridor of twinkling lights between the traveler's palms and arching angsana trees.

In front of the Mandarin hotel, a currain of 400,000 white lights forms a halling

of 600,000 white lights forms a brilliant backdrop for two snaking dragons, each 12 meters long (about 40 feet), that snuggle up to a smiling Santa. Other posh hotels and shopping plazas are decked out with bows, bells and boughs of bougainvillea.

Here on the Equator we've been celebrat-ing the holiday season for almost a month. Because of its multiracial population and large foreign community, Singapore is in the midst of a long holiday-after-holiday stretch.

The island's Hindus kicked off the seasonal lestivities with Deepavali, a festival of lights, in early November. And, after some minor changes to some of the lighting displays (for instance, the Mandarin will pack up its Santa), the Chinese New Year of the Dragon will sustain the festive mood

through February.
In between, the Christmas fervor produces a blend of Western trimmings with an Oriental flavor. Despite the absence of snow, the street lights surpass those in many Western capitals and conjure a winter wonderland feeling. Balmy breezes and cool blasts of rain moderate temperatures of 30 degrees Centi-grade (86 Fahrenheit).

HE holiday calendar is filled with events ranging from appearances by international and Asian entertainers to Christmas carolers strolling through the streets to sweating Santas, bundled up in beards and heavy gear, riding into town aboard the local three-wheeled version of the rickshaw, known as a grishaw.

In the run-up to the Chinese New Year on Feb. 17, there will be exchanges of mandarin oranges and hong bao, lucky red packets stuffed with money. The lighting displays will shift to the Chinatown district from Jan. 30 through March 2. The highlight is the annual Chingay parade on Feb. 21, a veritable Mardi Gras of a procession down Orthon China and chard Road: Chinese stilt-walkers, jugglers, bamboo flagpole balancers, magicians, and dragon and lion dancers join with Malay and Indian dance troupes wearing ethnic cos-tumes in a fitting multiracial finale to the

festive winter season. Visitors between the two New Year's events should try to arrange their itineraries around the Thaipusam on Feb. 2. On that Hindu holy day, hundreds of men and women march through the streets with skewers piercing their cheeks and tongues. They carry huge kavadi contraptions of wire and peacock feathers, attached to their skin with fish hooks.

As an added incentive, there is excellent shopping and cuisine, including holiday spreads at many restaurants and hotels. Singapore literally glows at this time of year. Small-scale displays began years ago in the district that spirals out from Scotts and Orchard roads. But the light-up got a big

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1995年11年11年11年 ها ده زيال در boost four years ago when the Singapore Tourist Promotion Board initiated a "Christmas at the Equator" contest with awards for the best decorations. Today, the Orchard-Scotts intersection is marked by a 10-metertall Christmas tree, and the dazzle extends to the huge new Marina Square and Raffles City shopping-cum-hotel complexes on the bay, just east of the financial district.

HIS year the light-up began on Nov. 14 at the start of the Tourist Board's Merlion Week, seven days of events that mark the start of the Christmas season. The Goodwood Park Hotel captured the top prize for decorations. It used its century-old colonial ambience and garden atmosphere to best advantage: poinsettias, holly, stars, angels and red, green and white lights enhance

the grand facade and landscaping.
But high marks must go to the Mandarin hotel, which spent more than \$35,000 on its display. The Mandarin hotel has developed a reputation for blending the best of East and West, Last Christmas, styrofoam bunnies romped out front in anticipation of the Year of the Rabbit. Some were dressed in Santa

The most prominent beacon of Christmas cheer is Raffles City's 73-story Westin Stam-ford, already listed in the Guinness Book of Records as the world's tallest hotel. It now claims to have created the world's tallest Christmas tree in the form of 10,000 green lights that rise up the side to the 35th story against a background of white lights that

climb to the top.

One of the loveliest places to spend Christmas or New Year's Eve is the Compass Rose, a restaurant at the top of the hotel. It is encased in three-story-high windows that provide breathtaking views. Despite the restaurant's high ceilings, the designers have maintained intimacy by setting off tables on stepped levels with a jungle of enormous imitation tropical foliage. It has been deco-rated in white with a Christmas tree centerpiece composed of dolls that represent children from different countries.

OR Christmas Eve, the Compass Rose plans a six-course dinner including a half-bottle of Champagne for approximately \$55 per person plus tax and service. New Year's Eve will feature another Champagne dinner with novelties at a slightly higher price. This event must be booked

Visitors will find no dearth of entertain-

The Singapore Festival of Dance includes appearances by San Francisco's Margaret Jenkins Dance Company on Dec. 11 and 12 and the Beijing Dance Academy from Dec. 14 to 19. The Singapore Symphony Orchestra and chorus will give special concerts at the Victoria concert hall on Dec. 11 and 12. The Holiday on Ice company is performing at the World Trade Center daily through

Otherwise, Singaporeans celebrate Christ-mas Eve as well as New Year's Eve much like the latter is celebrated on New York's Times Square. On both nights, tens of thousands midnight.

# \*Christmas in Far East: New Year's Lasts Longer in Scotland

by Israel Shenker

HE celebration of the New Year is usually here today and gone to-morrow, except in Scotland, where the joys of the season and the pleasures of the flask linger a full two days. Scots allow Jan. 2 as well as Jan. 1 for a double measure of oblivion, and count their blessings twice over. Not till Jan. 3 does the customary round resume — trains, planes, buses, postal deliveries, painful sobriety.

Everything begins to blur on New Year's Eve, known as hogmanay. The origin of the word itself is somewhat hazy. One theory traces it to the Greek for holy month. Another holds that hogmanay comes from hagman, an alms bread that was baked at Christmas. Hagman is also a variant of hackman or

The Scots enjoyed an old alliance with the French against the English, and one legacy is Francophiles eager to link Scotticisms to French. The word hogmanay has thus been traced to French monastic perambulations in celebration of the birth of Christ, with monks crying "Un homme est ne" ("A man is born"), hence hogmanay. Perhaps the source was "au gui mener" ("to the mistletoe go"); or "au gui l'an neuf" ("to the mistletoe in the new year.")

Then again, hogmanay may come from hoggo-nott, hogg-night or hogenat, an old Scandinavian name for Christmas Eve, but this needlessly confuses the calendar. In Gaelic, which is still spoken in Scotland, og

is young, mnai women.
It bodes no good if the first person across the threshold in the New Year is a woman of any age, but especially a blond. If the first-foot is a woman

And that woman be fair In the days that follow You will have a care.

Apart form this sexist qualification, Scotland honors the tradition of first-footing — being the first to enter a house in the New Year, even making a round of first visits. If the first (male) visitor has dark hair and dark eyes, or a dark complexion, fortune smiles; ideally this welcome guest is tall, young, handsome and healthy. He should bring an offering, notably a piece of coal, and intone the wish, "Lang may your lum reek" ("May the fire in your hearth burn on"). Some believe he should offer a greeting as soon as he enters; other favor silence till he has helped the lum along by putting his coal on the fire, even poked up the flame. The brighter the fire, the better the omens. Letting a fire go out is a chilling omen, and dying embers presage death. A first-foot who arrives empty-handed is a terrible omen of poverty and loss in the year ahead.

HE hogmanay drink used to be "het pint" ("het" meaning "hot" — a punch of hot ale or wine with such added ingredients as sugar, eggs, nutmeg and spirits.) These days it does no harm if the first-footer brings a bottle of whisky, from which he pours a drink for his host who then pours from his own stock for other guests. The impulse to generosity, which may be muted at other times, grows warms as the New Year arrives. It is nonetheless perfectly acceptable for the first-footer to carry his bottle off when he leaves, reinforcing the beretical notion that Scots are parsimonious pint-pinchers. The last glass from a bottle is the "lucky glass." An unmarried person who drinks it will be the first of the company to

marry. For each of her children, a mother was expected in earlier times to bake a bannock, a cake with crimped edges and a hole in the middle, special care being taken that no bannock broke in the firing, for this was not a good omen. In some parts of Scotland a large haggis — Robert Burns called it "Great Chieftain o' the Puddin-race!" — is prepared as lining for the stomachs that will have much to endure in the festivities.

A traditional New Year offering is a black bun - noble challenge to digestive felicities, Honored Vassal o' the Puddin-race. The black bun is laden with fat, raisin, currants, slivered almonds and candied peel. Robert Louis Stevenson call it "inimical to life." An inferior poetaster hymned "fierce raisin devils and gay currant sprites."

In the Highlands, a piece of cheese or even the rind, with a hole in it, works New Year wonders. Lost in a mist, a traveler can peer through the hole and find his way. On the east coast, the New Year's gift of red herring is said to bring good luck — as a promise of good fishing. A sheaf of wheat portends a good harvest. For those who own horse or cow, the last thing to be done on hogmanay is to visit the byre, or stable, and say the Lord's Prayer.

Some maintain they should settle their differences before midnight, allowing a full year and a clean slate for renewing them. To facilitate the rite, tradesmen called with yearly accounts. Scots used to put the smallest coin outside their door on Dec, 31; if it was there the next day they would not be short of cash in the New Year. The custom has become rare, in part because the coin

TOGMANAY was a time for good housekeeping: homes were to be cleaned, silver polished, clocks wound. When the house was cleaned, bad luck was driven out. An alternative gloss on indolent strategies for good fortune mainrained that, if one swept the floor or cleared ashes between noon and midnight on hogmanay, good luck would be swept out, sometimes accompanying the open-door policy with an unholy din to scare the dying day-lights out of the old year. At midnight, the open front door admitted the New Year. Some will have ned a sprig of rowan and woodbine on the front door, with words written there as well to warn evil spirits requiring explicit subtitles. Others will have secured their windows with garlands of holly and rowan, to bar phantoms. It is well to remember that ghosties and

ghoulies are mortally allergic to salt. One avoids the worst by sprinkling salt in strategic areas such as the open fire, or by dunking a cinder into a pan of cold water. In the county of Angus, farmers used to take no chances. At midnight they would come out into the open and fire their shotguns into the air, shooting the old year to make sure it was

dead and sone. The first water drawn after midnight on New Year's Eve from a well or pond or stream was the flower of the well, and brought food luck to the person drawing the water. There was often a rush to the source, since the flower of the well could only be



On the dance floor.

drawn once. An unmarried woman who got there first could expect to marry within 12 months. Farmers washed their dairy utensils with the water, to increase the flow of milk from their cows.

Some communities celebrate the arrival of the New Year with outdoor fires. Burghead ushers in the year with the burning of the clavie. The lower half of a barrel, attached to a long handle, is filled with tar and other combustible material. Into an opening in the center is inserted a burning peat of flaming brand. The burning clavic is borne off by strong, sure-footed volunteers, since anyone who stumbles brings the town bad luck. Faggots from the burning clavie are tossed into houses for good luck, and fragments treasured as souvenirs.

At Biggar and Wick it has been the custom to gather around a great bonfire. In Comrie's flambeux procession, costumed revelers bear large torches from the main square around the village and back again.

In Edinburgh a crowd gathers to await the switching hour at the 17th-century Tron Kirk, named for the tron or weigh beam that served also as pillory for merchants who gave short weight.

New Year's Day - Ne'er Day, with the Scots' fondness for elision — is partially consecrated to the year's first hangover. "I used to think that Ne'er was a description of the sound made by Scots people when they woke up on Jan. 1," noted Miles Kington, a columnist in The Times of London, "but I am now assured that it is simply a corruption of New Year." In Scotland, the Christmas and New Year festivities are the "daft days." A 19th-century authority called Dec. 31 "the chief of 'the daft days' which sour dour Scotchmen indulged in their calendar."

Calumnies may be traditional, but hogmanay is having the devil's own time retaining dant traditions. It is now common to celebrate the occasion at a pub or bar, or to stay at home. Some may still come bearing coal, but more likely a takeout from an Indian or Chinese restaurant. The sentimental Scot, however, will still arrive clutching the ritual beverage, and those who may be temperate 363 days a years are in danger on the other

Israel Shenker, a former reporter for The New York Times who lives in Scotland, wrote this article for The Times.

# Sweden's Traditional Smorgasbord

TOCKHOLM — A table laden with seasonal fare plays a starring role in Ingmar Bergman's "Fanny and Al-exander." The story is set in Sweden in the early 20th century, and in a memora-ble scene a troubled upper-class family has gathered for the traditional Christmas Eve meal, to eat and sing away the cold and darkness of winter. Since those days, Sweden has evolved from an agrarian to a technological society, but winter and the Christmas table, or Yule smorgasbord, remain the same. "There aren't many traditions left in this world, but come Christmas there will always be a Christmas table," said the restaurateur Lauri Nilsson, whose Ulriksdal Inn offers what may be the best smorgasbord

with a bechamel sauce, mustard, boiled potatoes and green peas).

The dishes of the Yule smorgasbord are

laid out on one big table and the proper protocol is to get a plate and to begin with smoked and pickled herring, eaten with boiled potatoes, sour cream, crisp bread and butter.

Herring is bountiful along Sweden's east-ern coast and can be had in any number of varieties, many of which are made at home at Christmas time. "The smorgasbord is a great gastronomical experience, but it has to be tackled in the right way," said Voegeli, president of the Club des Chefs des Chefs d'Etat, a club of 35 chefs to kings and presidents. "It is important not to mix different foods on the same plate. Herring and marinated salm-

crust, is the centerpiece of the Christmas table in most Swedish homes, and it comes with shredded red cabbase that is sweet and sour in flavor, and with shredded, browned common cabbage. "There are many expensive delicacies on the Christmas table, but a visitor should really make sure to also sample the Swedish national dishes such as her-ring and Lye Fish," Nilsson said.

A section of "small and warm" dishes include another national institution, Jansson's Temptation, which is a baked dish of anchovies, sliced potatoes, onions and cream. Some of the other dishes in this

> eggs, omelets and small sausages. Among dishes in the final part of the smorgasbord are fruit salad with whipped cream and a rice porridge served with sugar, cinnamon and perhaps a pat of butter. Christmas baking is almost as important as Christmas food, and even families that do not usually bake take pride in doing so for the holiday season.

section are meatballs, spareribs, scrambled

PICY gingerbread biscuits and yellow saffron-flavored buns, are part of the celebration of Lucia Day, Dec. 13. Virtually every Swedish town, school and office chooses a Lucia, a young girl dressed in a white gown and with a crown of candles in her hair, who sings carols accompanied by a train of white-clad boys and girls.

Glogg, red wine and vodka served hot and spiced with ginger, cinnamon, cardamom and cloves, is drunk with the biscuits and

Sweden's Lucia is crowned on Dec. 13 at Skansen, a vast museum and folklore center in Stockholm. The festivities include a bonfire and a Christmas market at which a visitor can buy traditional Swedish foods.

Skansen, on the recreational island of Djurgarden just outside the city center, has 150 old buildings in which traditional handcrafts are demonstrated to visitors, and a zoo and aquarium. There is a Christmas market on the site every Sunday in December. Admission is \$3; hours are 8 A.M. to 6 P.M. Handcraft cottages are open II A.M. to 3

What do you drink with the Yule smorgas-

"With the smorgasbord it has to be schnapps, with beer as a chaser — certainly not wine," Voegeli said.

In Sweden schnapps frequently means vodka, but it can also mean an aquavit, spirits spiced with berbs such as fennel, coriander, bog myrtle (an herb), anise and caraway, and in some cases matured in sherry casks. Aquavit is drunk straight and cold.

A bottle of strong beer is the equivalent of \$5 to \$6 at a restaurant. Varieties lower in alcohol are cheaper. A glass of schnapps is \$6 to \$8. (Liquor, wine and beer are expensive in Sweden because of high taxes on alcohol. Restaurants are allowed to serve alcohol after noon.

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A holiday spread.

"The Swedes are never so enthusiastic and "The Swedes are never so enthusiastic and food-minded as when they sit down to eat the Yule smorgasbord," added Werner Voegeli, a Swiss-born restaurateur who is also chef to the court of Sweden's King Carl Gustaf and Queen Silvia.

Many Swedes like to go out and have an extravagant Yule smorgasbord in a restaurant; at home the Christmas table is usually a smaller selection of dishes enjoyed on

a smaller selection of dishes enjoyed on Christmas Eve and during the three-week

"It is a tradition for many guests to come here with their families or colleagues every year," said Nilsson, adding that reservations start trickling in during the summer.

HE Yule smorgasbord, as served at Ulriksdal Inn. Voegeli's Operakallaren and some of the other 700 dining establishments in Stockholm, generally features about 150 dishes — including yearround classic dishes such as pickled herring and marinated salmon as well as traditional Christmas fare such as Dip in the Kettle (rye bread dipped in ham broth) and Lye Fish (cod soaked in lye and then boiled, served

on, for example, is not a palatable mix. The smorgasbord is not a buffet. You are free to help yourself to as many rounds as you like, and to change to a clean plate for every round," he said.

At Christmas time, the red-colored herring salad — a fine-cut mixture of salted herring potatoes, apple, onions and beets — is obligatory on the herring plate.

HE recommended second helping includes such traditional seafood delicacies as boiled, smoked and marinated salmon, smoked eel, and hard-boiled eggs stuffed with bleak roe (sometimes called red

Gravlax, salmon that has been marinated for at least 24 hours in dill, salt, pepper and a touch of sugar, is rapidly gaining international fame.

After seafood delicacies, it is time for a plate of cold cuts including smoked reindeer meat, jellied pigs' trotters, breast of ptarmigan (a variety of grouse), a choice of paies, and the Christmas ham.

The ham, oven baked with a mustard

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Maurice who runs this exceptional place was a designer before he turned to shopkeeping and this gives him a special sympathy with customers' needs and worries.

More flippant thoughts should steer one to CiBi, where fashion for the cocktail hour and party time is sassy and original. Best known for superb leather clothes, regular customers are wise to the luxe silk shirts and blouses, soft skirts and definitely dramatic dresses in wonderfully rich fabrics.

few doors away, Shi-London's smartest cashmere shop, where high fashion pulls cashmere into the highest grade of elegant dressing. In her factory in Scotland sensitive craftspeople have interpreted Shirin's abundant flow of new ideas into trendsetting clothes that currently include short dresses (not too short) with heavy ribbed hemlines in black or oatmeal which can be worn with a matching coat.

If you are sensitive to atmosphere you will feel at ease as soon as you walk into Palmers, who have a contemporary and wearable stock of desirable clothes. Apart from the simple but chic clothes of Moschino of Milan whose little dark suit trimmed with torn-apart zips used like frills is a conversation piece, look around at what's on offer in the gift line. A great selection of large sling unusual wooden jewellery and witty belts designed to make people

smile. Yvette, specialises in late day and evening wear although that is not to say you will also find knitted suits and dresses, leathers and wonderful sweaters there. Everything in the shop is exclusive and the majority of the stock is from

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ot news in Knightsbridge is of the opening of the first Fabrice Karel boutique in London. Everything in the place is knitted in a mix of wool and acrylic which makes everything machine washable. In the summer they change to cotton and acrylic mix with pure cotton for the hotspots. Prices are kind - £45-£138, and the range includes jackets, sweaters, skirts, pants and skinny leggings that resemble Long Johns.

Stelios, 10 Cheval Place, S.W.7. is a couturier who likes to make a complete look surface with success by making shoes, bags, hats and furs to assemble with exclusive made-to-measure clothes. Its one design one customer here and there isn't an earthly chance of meeting your double anywhere in the world. The line is simple and beautifully made, as is the small ready-towear collection that stands by to back up a couture ward-

Shopping for babies is satisfying fun at Monogrammed Linen Shop. This treasured shop for bedlinen, towels, table cloths and mats all of the highest quality, have added many more things to their range of children's clothes and accessories. For presents, classic silk dressing gowns for men and women, tiny funprinted boxer shorts for children 2-16 (£8.95) and bridge cloths at £22 in different

The Penny Howson concept in leather uses magnificent sculptured fine lambskin and stylish applique work in exotic leather. The range provides one of the largest designer collections in London.

During the month of December why not dine at one of Walton Street's fashionable restaurants and visit Penny Howson, who will be open for drinks until 11 pm at night.

Some women like to wear original clothes although they respect and note fashion trends. If you are such a person head for Image d'Or. For day, straight wrap-over and mid-thigh skirts to wear with cropped or long-length jackets. A piece of stunning antique African jewellery from a standing collection, would be a magical Christmas present for an important

Marie Soskin at 175 Fulham Road, S.W.3 is set fair for the party season. This designer/ owner has most of her day and evening clothes made in Paris, in Italian fabrics, and apart from a great selection of short and long evening dresses do look at the evening suits made in embossed velvet and other fabrics, finished perfectly with satin and embroidered but-

here is high fashion in smoking as well as in fashion and most of us know a cigar smoker whose taste runs to the best. To warm up such a friend go to Davidoff, 35 St. James' Street, S.W.1. and find the essential present for the men who have everything but never enough cigars. They will not let you go wrong here in this remarkably selective shop who hold the best stock of Havana cigars in

Finally, news from inter-

nationally famous Spink of King Street. St. James', S.W.1. is of antique Indian and Islamic jewellery. Do not take this in awe of the priceless unknown, but of a collection of jewels that are quite beautiful and utterly wearable. Rings from the 15th and 16th centuries are strikingly contemporary in appearance, pendants set with many coloured gems sunk into gold are full of a mystic magic that warms one's heart to touch them.

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## For Investment Bankers, Tis No Season to Be Jolly

By SHERRY BUCHANAN

uional Herold Tribune ONDON — It will hardly be a Happy New Year for employees of investment banks, where the annual bonuses that come in the first quarter will be substantially nuses that come in the first quarter will be substantially reduced because of the stock market downturn. Banks already are trimming their staffs and cutting back on hiring. Pay increases and starting salaries are shrinking. And given the losses of some investment banks, plans for restructuring by others, and low trading volumes, analysts in London and New York expect the trend to continue.

Among the investment banks trimming their staffs is Salomon

Among the investment banks trimming their staffs is Salomon Brothers, which dismissed 800 people, mostly in New York and

Those who have not

been fired can expect

shrunken bonuses

and smaller raises.

London, two months ago. Goldman, Sachs & Co. made a 10 percent reduction in its London work force a few weeks ago and will let 60 to 100 people go in New York Drexel Burnham Lambert Inc. has similar plans.
"All the investment banks

agree that bonuses will be

cut," said Jamil Jamilhusain, who works in the London office of the management consultants Towers, Perrin, Forster & Crosby. the management consultants Towers, Petrin, Forster & Crosby.

Many investment banks say they hope the drastic bonus cuts will encourage some traders to leave despite the tough job market, saving the banks the trouble of dismissing them. Traders who are unhappy with their bonuses traditionally leave after the first quarter of the year, which is bonus distribution time.

According to Towers, Perrin, U.S. investment houses in London had been paying 200 to 300 percent of base salary in bonuses for intermediate and senior dealers before the stock market slumped. Other financial institutions in London were paying bonuses of 60 to 120 percent.

bonuses of 60 to 120 percent.

According to an informal survey by the executive search firm Korn/Ferry International in New York, most Wall Street invest-

ment houses are now planning to cut bonuses in half.

"Bonuses will be scaled back dramatically," said Brooks T.

Chamberlin, the senior partner who conducted the survey. "They are also planning to hire fewer MBAs," or masters in business

WO INVESTMENT firms canceled recruitment plans in November at the European Institute of Business Administration in Fontainebleau, France, which has a class graduating in January. Towers, Perrin estimates that salaries, which have been growing by 15 to 20 percent annually the past two years in London, will only increase by an average 8 percent next

Severance pay for employees who have been dismissed since the market collapse has been less generous overall than before the market downturn. "For the last two years, there's been the stigma factor," Mr. Jamilhusain said. "Banks were all in the market for people; they didn't want to get a bad name, so redundancy packages were very generous. Now, they couldn't give a hoot." He reckons that severance pay will average one month's salary for each year of service. Several employees who left Salomon Brothers said they received six months' severance pay.

Most merchant bankers who lost their jobs are looking for work in the same field. But some have opted out of finance, A. former Goldman, Sachs trader is going to art school. A former Salomon Brothers dealer has joined a headhinting firm. A former trainee in Oppenheimer's Eurobond department repre-

sents a British travel group in the French ski resort Courchevel.

"They always talk about doing something else. But then these's the mortgage to pay, "said Peter R. Trigg, managing director of Drake Beam Morin U.K. Ltd., the British subsidiary of the U.S. lacement from He is neigrous investine and 30s find new jobs. "Probably in a year's time there will be an enforced movement out of the financial services sector," he said.

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# Shearson, **Hutton Set** Merger

Firm Will Rank No. 2 in U.S.

Compiled by Our Staff Fram Dispatches NEW YORK - Shearson Lehman Brothers, the big U.S. securities firm, confirmed Thursday that it would acquire E.F. Hutton Group in a cash and stock transaction valued at about \$1 billion, or about \$600 million less than what it offered for the ailing concern last

The merger, which was widely expected, marks the first major Wall Street consolidation since the stock collapse on Oct. 19 and will vault Shearson past Salomon Brothers as the second-largest U.S. investment firm after Merrill Lynch & Co.
The joint announcement said

Shearson would purchase 28.1 million shares of Hutton common stock at \$29.25 per share and exchange another 4.8 million shares of Hutton stock for \$139.8 million in high-yield debt securities.

Shearson a year ago offered to buy Hutton for \$50 a share, or about \$1.6 billion. Hutton rejected that offer as inadequate and was reported to be seeking \$55 a share.

Hutton shares rose 50 cents to close at \$27.875 on the New York Stock Exchange. Shearson shares, 62 percent of which are owned by American Express Co., were up 12.5 cents, to \$15.125.

For Hutton, the merger will mark the end of an 84-year history tainted in the past few years by scandal, financial losses and widespread demoralization within the firm. Thousands of layoffs of Hutton employees are expected.

Securities analysts in New York said they were told by executives of Shearson that they expect savings of \$400 million from a merger with Hutton. While Hutton's decision to seek

a buyer is emblematic of the consolidation that has swept Wall Street, the move follows a series of problems that forced the firm to seek a fresh infusion of capital or a

The biggest cloud was Hutton's See HUTTON, Page 13

## Cameroon's Tontines Outdo Banks 'Tribal' Way Cuts Red Tape, but Default Means Disgrace

of an economic consulting firm

In Cameroon, bankers com-

in Camercon.

By James Brooke New York Times Service

DOUALA, Cameroon When Samuel Nansi needed \$35,000 to open his "Joie de Vivre Bar" here, he did not bother with banks.

Nansi turneri to Сатегооп's tontines, an informal credit system rooted in African traditions. Without signing a paper or filling out a form, Mr. Nansi walked out of his monthly tontine meeting with \$35,000 in

Instead, Mr.

For years, development economists saw Africans' toptines as archaic, tribal institutions that would die out with the rise of modern economies based on imported, European-style bank-

ing systems. But in a reappraisal, many as a highly effipromoting

forts in capital-

cite the case of Cameroon, During the first half of the 1980s, this Central African country had the continent's highest average growth rate, 7 percent a year. By coincidence, Cameroo-

nians also had the highest rate of participation in tontines - 47 percent - of the five Frenchspeaking African countries surveyed by Marcomer Gallup International. (The word tontine derives from Lorenzo Tonti, a 17th-century Italian banker in Paris.)

In contrast, only 13 percent of citizens surveyed in the five countries had savings accounts. "Banks don't match the men-



grass-roots ef- Samuel Nansi at his 'Joie de Vivre' bar in Donala, acter. Every opened with a four-year, \$35,000 loan from a tontine. month, each member would

> as high as 50 percent. In contrast, tontine payments are taken so member group, a member would seriously that borrowers faced with delinquency have been known to commit suicide.

Tontines work, economists say, because their loans are backed by social pressure, a sys-tem familiar to Africans. Banks perform poorly because their loans are backed by paper guarantees made to strangers, a concept alien to Africans.

Not restricted to Cameroon, tontines exist through much of sub-Saharan Africa, from Burkina Faso to Ghana to Zaire and

But Cameroon's enterprising

tality of the people — they are colonial structures," said Theodoret-Marie Fansi, the director to such an extent that bankers larized interest-bearing tontines to such an extent that bankers complain that tontines contribity crisis.

We are empty," one foreign banker in Douala said sourly. The tontines are drawing money out of

> With uncounted millions of dollars flowing through this alternative finance system, Cameroonians use tontine credit for projects ranging from a wording to buying a taxi to building a hotel.

contribute a

member group, a member would

get one turn once a year to take

the interest-bearing tontine.

The most recent innovation is

Each month, eligible members

bid for the tontine pot. Interest

payments are collected in a sepa-rate loan fund and are distribut-

ed to members when the tontine

where the monthly pot is \$1 million," said Antoine L. Ntsimi, a

Cameroonian banker with a

business degree from the Univer-sity of Chicago. With a tontine See SAVE, Page 15

"I have attended tontines

the pot home.

is dissolved.

the banking sys-

In their original form, ton-tines allowed peasants to pool their labor to work collectively on one member's land on a

rotating basis. With the introduction of the money economy in the 20th treaties. SAS's move also comes after a tines took on a financial char-

BA's shares Thursday.

dinavian carrier to win approval from British regulatory authorities, London analysts said there seemed to be little prospect that SAS's pro-posal to acquire an influential stake in Caledonian would be allowed. Parliamentary members of the ruling Conservative Party, led by the

SAS, which is based in Stockholm and is half-owned by the goveruments of Sweden, Norway and Denmark, has yet to make a formal offer to Caledonian shareholders,

In Voting Power In Caledonian

By Warren Getler

LONDON — Scandinavian Air-lines System said Thursday it was revamping its proposal to acquire a 40 percent stake in British Caledonian Group PLC, in order to meet Department of Transport concerns about foreign ownership of British

Helge Lindberg, SAS's deputy president, said here Thursday that SAS was continuing to seek the equity stake in Caledonian but had proposed to limit its voting power to under 30 percent. "We are not out for control of British Caledonian," he said. He declined, however, to provide terms,

Mr. Lindberg's proposal followed a statement by Britain's transport secretary, Paul Channon, that he would revoke Caledonian's licenses if Britain's Civil Aviation Authority deemed that SAS's proposal would result in control of Caledonian slipping into foreign

Britain's 1982 Civil Aviation Act prohibits foreign ownership or control of Caledonian or its bigger rival British Airways PLC, the country's two "flag-carrying" airlines recognized by bilateral transport

revised formal offer by British Airways totaling £144 million for all of Caledonian, based on the value of

Despite the attempt by the Scanformer party chairman, Norman Tebbit, are campaigning to block any SAS or other foreign move on Caledonian.

(\$90 million) cash injection to help the debt-burdened British carrier.

British Airways has argued in recent weeks that Caledonian must remain in British hands. But Caledonian's board considers the new British Airways bid as skimpy and a threat to a future separate identi-ty, preferring instead the strong mi-nority shareholding option. In a published letter to Caledo-

nian's chairman, Sir Adam Thompson, Mr. Channon said a final deci-sion rested with the aviation authority, and that his comments about revoking Caledonian's li-censes would not necessarily apply

to the new plan.

Mr. Lindberg said he expected a response from the aviation authority by Friday. Noting that Britain's Department of Trade and Industry on Thursday had waived the need to refer the proposal to the Monopolies and Mergers Commission, he said he saw no reason why his new

proposals would be rejected. But as one analyst at a large London brokerage put it: "The De-partment of Trade was only concerned about a possible monopoly aituation arising, which was never really in question. But it's the De-partment of Transport that watch-

es who's flying in and out of Britain and under what flag." Robert Havard, an airline indus-try analyst with the brokers James Capel & Co. in London, said he did not see how the second SAS proposal would be "significantly different from the first." He said he expected the aviation authority to

reject the proposal.

If SAS is forced to withdraw, Caledonian shareholders will have until Dec. 16 to decide on the Brit-

ish Airways bid.

Last month, the monopolies commission approved the original merger offer proposed in July by British Airways, but attached conditions. Those included BA surrendered dering Caledonian's licenses on domestic routes and routes to 10 European destinations.

On Nov. 21, British Airways submitted a revised offer taking into hoping first to get approval from account the government's condi-the relevant regulatory authorities. tions and October's collapse in SAS's proposed partial offer is un-share prices.

## **U.S. Factory Orders** Rose 1.1% in October

#### Productivity Up 3.6% in 3d Quarter

WASHINGTON - Orders for U.S. manufactured goods rose 1.1 the government reported on Thurs-

commerce Department said.

month to month, factory orders and parts order rose 0.7 percent in October, the or 3.1 percent. Orders for Many financial analysts had expected orders to decline, although the report does not assess the full impact of the Oct. 19 stock market

collapse. Some analysts say they expect orders to tail off dramatically in November and December. Productivity in nonfarming businesses in the third quarter was much higher than had been estimated previously. Last month, the

Labor Department said nonfarm productivity had risen 2.6 percent in the July-September period. The revised 3.6 percent increase was the biggest in nonfarm productivity since a 6.6 percent gain in the first quarter of 1986.

The Commerce Department said new orders for manufactured

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upward from 1.1 percent.

Orders for durable goods, those percent in October, and worker expected to last three years or productivity in the third quarter more, rose 1.4 percent in October increased by a sharp 3.6 percent, to \$110.84 billion, after rising 2.5 percent in September.

The rise in October durables or Fueling the strong increase in ders was concentrated in the transfactory orders was demand for portation equipment includ-where orders rose 75 percent to the falling 22 research. ing aircraft and motor vehicles, the \$28.48 billion after falling 2.2 percent in September. Aircraft and Excluding orders for military parts orders were up \$1.2 billion, or goods, which vary widely from 13.4 percent, and motor vehicles and parts orders rose \$500 million

Orders for nondurable goods were up 0.7 percent in October to \$98.08 billion, after a 0.9 percent

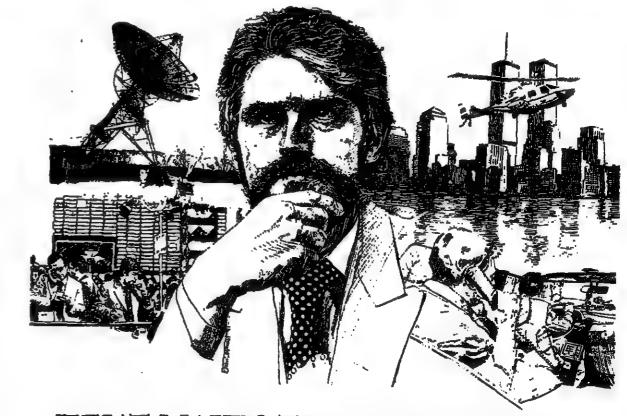
increase in September.

Defense capital goods orders rose 8.1 percent to \$9.85 billion in October after falling 4.3 percent in September. Noudefense capital goods orders were up 1.3 percent to \$30.15 billion after a 0.7 percent

September increase.

The Commerce Department also reported that shipments of manufactured goods rose 0.2 percent to \$206.1 billion, inventories grew 0.5 percent to \$328.5 billion and unfilled orders rose 0.7 percent to \$398.5 billion.

The 0.7 percent rise in unfilled orders is welcome news because it means that businesses have more goods rose in October by \$2.2 billion to a seasonally adjusted \$208.9 billion. The rise followed a 1.8 per-expand. (Reuters, UPI) work than they can handle, raising



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# Were Sluggish in November

NEW YORK - The largest U.S. general retailers reported Thursday that their sales rose only modestly in November compared with a year before, as consumers continued to spend cautiously.

A variety of factors contributed to the softness in sales, said Mon-roe H. Greenstein, an analyst with the investment firm Bear Steams & Co. "The crack in the stock market scared people for a while," he said;

He said that consumers shop-ping for clothes suffered "sticker shock," a negative reaction to higher prices, especially on imports.

Jeffrey B. Edelman, an analyst with Drexel Burnham Lambert Inc., said specialty retailers, including apparel stores, recorded the

because consumers, worried about their high debt levels and the economy, have reduced their spending Analysts themselves remained

cautions about the Christmas sea son, during which retailers earn up to half of their annual profits pickup in sales at the end of last month encouraged him that retailers would have a satisfactory holi-

corresponding month in 1986. It said its sales for the first 43 weeks of the year were up 3.1 percent from the year-before period.

percent sales increase in November disappointment for many retailers percent from January.

# Big U.S. Retailers Say Sales

denting consumer confidence.

worst performance last month.

However, Mr. Greenstein

The largest U.S. retailer, Sears, Roebuck & Co., said its sales rose 0.7 percent in November from the

J.C. Penney Co. reported a 4.3 The November sales continued a and a 5.1 percent rise so far this trend that began early in the year. Year. K mart Corp. said its sales So far, 1987 has turned out to be a rose 6.6 percent last month and 7.7 128 致

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# NYSE Drops; Dow Below 1,800

Stock Exchange fell sharply Thursday in active trading, dragged down by a gloomy market forecast that outweighed a reduction in a key

The Dow Jones industrial average plunged 72.44 to close at 1,776.53, with 35 points of the drop occurring in the last half-hour of trading. The day's loss took the Dow to only about 38 points above the low reached on Oct. 19, when the average plummeted 508 points to close at

Declining issues trounced advancers by more than a 6-1 ratio Thursday. Volume totaled 204.16 million shares, up from 148.89 million

Broader market indexes also declined sharp-ly. The NYSE composite index fell 4.20 to 127.01. Standard & Poor's 500-stock index fell 8.24 to 225,21. The price of an average share lost

Traders said the market was hurt early in the day by a gloomy prediction from one of the market's most influential analysts.

"And it just picked up as the day wore on."

She emphasized that Mr. Prechter's forecast She emphasized that Mr. Prechter's forecast retail reports for November showing flat to might have been the trigger, but the market has slightly better store results despite heavy dis-

mid-1,600s within two weeks. The negative prediction outweighed a deci-

The Reagan administration had hoped for the rate cut as a means to stimulate West Germany's economy and increase exports for

the United States. I think the rate cut was clearly anticipated by the market," said Tom Gallagher, a manag-

ing director at Oppenheimer & Co. The weak-ness in stock prices "demonstrates that this is a bear market in trouble and it has no ability to The international community has now thrown the ball back into our court," he said. "But there is a lack of confidence on Wall

Street" that Washington is going to take it Mr. Gallagher said the market must now wait for some agreement between the Group of Seven nations and further progress on the U.S. budget deficit reduction. The G-7 consists of the United States, West Germany, Britain,

France, Japan, Italy and Canada. There is no question that a G-7 agreement is a destiny that the world needs," Mr. Gallagher "Robert Prechter issued a very negative re-port, and that started the slide," said Hildegard Lagorski of Prudential-Bache Securities Inc. care of ours."

Dealers said investors were also depressed by counts and promotions.

Occidental Petroleum was the most active Kansas Gas & Electric followed, up 1/2 to 191/4. Wal-Mart Stores was third, down 24 to 21. (UPI, Reuters)

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NEW YORK - Prices on the New York to 2.5 percent from 3 percent.

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been in a downward trend since last week." Ms. Zagorski said Mr. Prechter had warned

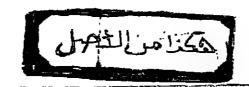
sion Thursday by the Bundesbank, West Ger-

that the Dow industrial average could test the NYSE-listed issue, down 1/2 to 241/2.

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# Big 3's U.S. Vehicle Sales Rise 13.4%

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When world stock prices plunged last month, demand for

the government's offering evapo-rated, and a huge volume of BP

prices far below what underwriters

Domestic car sales rose 6.2 percent for General Motors Corp., Ford Motor Co. and Chrysler together sold 156,864 cars during the period, up from 147,783 a year earlier. They sold 99,469 light trucks, up Corp. during the seven selling days Corp. during the seven selling days

## Rumor Fuels Trading in BP ment, had been buying the shares. BP said in November that Ku-

LONDON - British Petroleum Co.'s newly issued, or part-paid shares were the most actively traded on the London Stock Exchange Thursday, amid market rumors that the Kuwait Investment Office had been buying them.

About 43.8 million shares hanged hands during the trading lay. The shares closed at 72.5 pence, up 1.5 pence from Wednes-day's close.

British Petroleum declined comment on market rumors that the office, the London-based investment arm of the Kuwaiti govern-

DETROIT—Combined domes from Nov. 21-30 from the year car and truck sales for the Big DETRUIT — Companied domestic car and light truck sales for the Big Three U.S. automakers rose percent for the Big Three, the companies reported.

Domestic truck sales rose 27.1 a year earlier, with car sales down percent in late November from the comparable period of 1986, the GM, Ford and Chrysler together and University of the Companies reported.

GM, Ford and Chrysler together and Chrysler together sold 448,480 domestic cars in No-

sold 448,480 domestic cars in November, down from 476,631 in November 1986. They sold 294,268 domestic light trucks, up from 235,445 a year earlier. For all of November, domestic

Ford's domestic car sales rose 13.9 percent in late November, to 55,374 from 48,602 a year earlier. Ford's domestic truck sales rose 36.4 percent in the period, to 39,312 from 28,822.

GM's domestic car sales also rose, to 77,118, up 3.5 percent from equity holding in the company. Analysts said at the time that it appeared Kuwait had bought into BP 74,481 in late November a year ago. GM's truck sales were up 31.9 percent, to 35,456 from 26,883.

shares put on the market Oct. 29, when the British government sold its 31.5 percent stake in the compatruck sales rose 9.6 percent, to 24,701 from 22,531.

Chrysler's sales this year and last year include figures for American rated, and a huge volume of BP Motors Corp., which Chrysler ac-shares has been on the market at quired in August. With AMC, Chrysler acquired Jeep Corp., which AMC bought in 1970.

## Grand Met Reported to Have Nearly 20% Stake in Martell

PARIS - The stock price of Martell & Compagnie, the cognac

producer, pursued its climb on Thursday, and a source in London attributed the rise to purchases by Grand Metropolitan PLC of Britain that gave it nearly 20 percent of Martell's shares.

Martell stock rose 127 francs, or almost 7 percent, to close at 1,945 francs (\$345) Thursday on the Paris Bourse, up from 1,818 Wednesday. A sharp rise in Martell's share price since the October to the product of a foreign enterprise to the product of a foreign enterprise to the content of a foreign enterprise to the content of a foreign enterprise. market collapse has prompted rumors of a foreign attempt at a

A Martell spokesman said the company did not know what was behind the advance in stock prices.

Grand Met, the British food, beverage and hotel group, bought a 10 percent stake in Martell in July for about £30 million (\$48.5 million then). René Martell, president of the company, said the family, which controlled about 45 percent of the shares and 57 percent of the voting rights, "hasn't given up and doesn't intend to give up any stock."

The source in London expected Grand Met to hold its stake at

about 20 percent for the time being so as not to appear hostile. Susanna Hardy, a French-market analyst with James Capel & Co. in London, noted that Martell takeover rumors had been flying since January, but she said there could be more to them now, because the cognac market is one of the few segments of the liquor market that is

growing, particularly in the Far East.

The top-selling brand, Hennessy, for example, projects 10 percent sales growth in value this year, with 25 percent growth in Japan.

Ms. Hardy said that Grand Met might be interested in Martell to realize Martell's earnings potential, which she said is not currently

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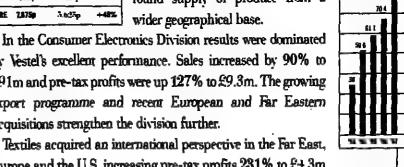
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#### British Steel Says Its Profit Tripled To £190 Million

LONDON — State-owned British Steel Corp. said Thurs-day that it tripled its first-half profit to £190 million (\$345 milion at current exchange rates) in the six months to Oct. 3, from

£60 million a year earlier. The government, which has long wanted to sell off BSC, said privatization would now go ahead as soon as possible, subject to market conditions.

BSC, which returned to prof-

it in its 1985-86 fiscal year after a reorganization spurred by 11 years of losses, said exports remained high, accounting for 37 percent of deliveries.

While the results for the first half are most encouraging they have been achieved against the background of an orderly market in Enrope," said BSC chairman, Sir Robert Scholey. He said there was still a need for restructuring the heavily subsidized European industry, which has been hurt by overcapecity.

## Bass Profit Up 17% Amid Strong Beer Sales

LONDON — Bass PLC, citing strong British sales of canned beer, reported Thursday that its pretax profit rose 17.6 percent to £365 million (\$661 million) in the fiscal year that ended Sept. 30.

The result, which amounted to 71.6 pence per share, compared with £310.4 million or 59.5 pence in the comparable period in 1986.

The diversified brewer said it now leads the British take-home beer market and had increased its overall beer market share. Bass's products include the Tennents and Carling Black Label brands.

Bass's sales rose 18.9 percent, to £3.2 billion from £2.7 billion a year earlier.

Bass's core brewing, drinks and public house operations accounted for most of the profit increase. Trading profit in this area rose 20 percent to £303.3 million. Announcement of the results

pushed Bass shares up 2 pence to close at 779 pence on the London The company said it believed an extension in licensing hours under consideration in Parliament would

help its business in the future. Trading profit in Base's leisure

showed no increase in profit over its previous exceptional year.

operations rose 18 percent to £67.8 had agreed to buy 178 Holiday Inn million during the year.

Coral Racing, which made strong progress in the first half, shound are instanced as \$575

Bass said it had spent £573 mil-Bass's purchase of Horizon lion on its businesses this year and Travel and Wings OSL has given it had allocated a further £390 mila big stake in the travel industry. In September, it announced that it new financial year.

## Hitachi Net Profit Rose 20% As Sales Slipped a Bit in Half

TOKYO - Hitachi Ltd. reportfor the first six months of its linancial year rose 20 percent to 56.06 billion yen (about \$420 million) from 46.56 billion a year earlier.

The gain in profit for the half-year ending Sept. 30 was helped by decreases in production costs and higher demonstration costs and higher domestic sales of industrial machinery because of increased public spending, the company said. But sales fell almost i percent, to 2.416 trillion yen from 2.434 trillion, reflecting a lower level of ex-ports caused by the strong yen.

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Pioneer shares it had held through

tion and electronic devices, accounting for 33 percent of total ed Thursday that group net profit sales, rose 8 percent from a year for the first six months of its finan-earlier to 791.35 billion yen in the first half.

First-half exports, accounting for 25 percent of total sales, fell 9 percent to 601.09 billion.

Hitachi raised its forecast for group net profit to 115 billion yen for the year ending March 31, 1988, up from an earlier estimate of 102 billion. Group net profit for 1986-87 was 98.68 billion.

The sales forecast was revised upward to 4.76 trillion yen from an earlier estimate of 4.62 trillion

#### Siemens Won't Pursue A Bid for MK Electric

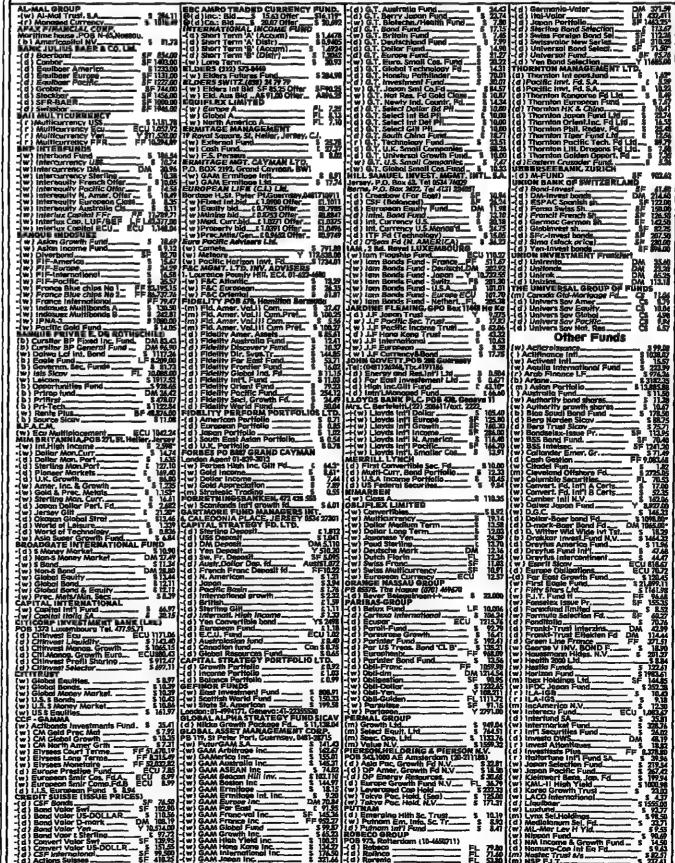
LONDON - MK Electric Group PLC said Thursday that Siemens AG of West Germany had decided not to make a bid to acquire the British company. In boosting its stake in MK to 1.35 percent this week, Siemens had emerged as a possible white knight in MK's effort to

resist a £206.5 billion (\$374.2 million) bid by RTZ Corp.

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# Bell Says It Lost \$53 Million on Pioneer Sale PERTH, Australia — Bell Mr. Holmes à Court's Bell compa-Group Ltd. said Thursday it in-lier have sold about 1.4 billion dol-lars in shares and property since

ralian dollars (\$53.4 million) on the October market collapse. the sale of its holding in Pioneer Concrete Services Ltd. before al-though for tax benefits of 37.29 Evilion dollars.

Bell, a holding company con-trolled by the investor Robert Holmes a Court that is seeking cash to meet interest obligations, said it received 344 million dollars for the 16.6 percent holding, or 3.30 doliara a share.

Bell had purchased the Pioneer stake for 4 dollars a share in August from FAI Insurances Ltd. The sale price nonetheless was 50

cents a share above Wednesday's 2.80 dollar closing price for stock in Pioneer, a construction supply and natural resources company. "Bell decaded to take the oppor-

muity to dispose of this holding above current market prices but below its own cost price in recognition of current market conditions, the company said in a statement. The sale is intended "to provide liquidity that will enable the group to pursue other objectives that will

more beneficial to shareholders

than holding an indirect invest-

ment" in Pioneer, it said.

giobal market boom.

Most of the stakes sold were in companies acquired during the Neoma Developments Pty Ltd. by

Perfume Powers YSL Sales

to figures released Thursday. Pierre Bergé, the president, said Wednesday that with the new emphasis on perfumes, high fashion was now just a prestige activity for YSL. Mr. Berge founded the com-

Yves Saint Laurent According to company figures, perfumes will account for more than four-fifths of projected 1987 revenue of \$437 million.

A deal struck last year by Mr. Berge with Carlo de Benedetti, the Italian entrepreneur, and Alain Minc, a French financier, allowed YSL to take over sales of its per-fumes in the United States from Charles of the Ritz for \$630 mil-

Opium, which a company PARIS --- Perfumes will account spokeswoman said is the world's for 86 percent of sales this year at top-selling perfume in dollars Yves Saint Laurent SA, according earned, heads the YSL perfumes division. Other women's perfumes are Y, Rive Gauche and Paris. They account for more than 10 percent of the European perfume mar-

pany 26 years ago with the designer

ny's fashion division sales, while Europe had 35 percent and the United States 17.9 percent.

The company also makes two men's perfumes, Pour Hommes and Kouros, and Mr. Berge said it would introduce a third next April. He said Japan accounted for more than 40 percent of the compa-

The company canceled plans last month for a share flotation in the aftermath of the global stock mar-ket crash. But Mr. Berge said the

offering would go ahead next year.

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## **HUTTON:** Takeover Confirmed

(Continued from first finance page) 1985 guilty plea to 2,000 counts of federal mail and wire fraud stem-ming from a check-overdraft operation. To many on Wall Street, the scandal was an indicument of Hutton management.

In 1986, a boom year for the stock market and investment business, Hutton posted a \$90.3 million loss. The loss resulted from a special \$130 million reserve that was set aside largely to compensate customers for losses from certain municipal bonds that the firm had marketed and traded improperly. In addition, Hutton officials said

the stock market's October crash raised new concerns about the firm's ability to raise capital needed to remain competitive in the volatile giobal financial markets. Hutton said Nov. 23 that it would review proposals for an acquisition by another firm or a major cash infusion because of con-

cerns over its ability to continue raising capital following the stock market collapse in October. A key prize for Shearson is Hut-

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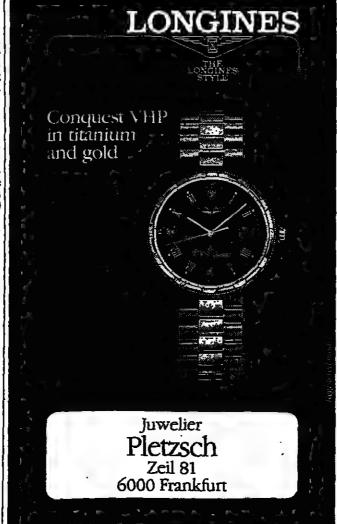
ton's worldwide retail network. which would add about 6,500 seasoned account executives to Shearson's own 5,700 brokers, rivaling Merrill Lynch for dominance in

Shearson, which has about \$75 billion in funds under asset management, also would gain billions of dollars in that relatively stable

But duplication among back office functions and other areas make it likely that Shearson will cut as many as 5,000 of Hutton's 18,000 (AP, Reuters)

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Japan Refuses to Accept **GATT Panel's Findings** 

GENEVA — Japan refused Thursday to accept in full a report by a GATT panel recommending that the nation remove import quotas on 10 agricultural items, trade delegates said. The General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade, a 95-nation body, reacted by adjourning further debate on the issue, raised a year ago by the United States, until the next session of its

the United States, until the next session of its ruling council in early February.

Japan's trade ambassador, Yoshio Hatano, told the closed meeting that his government could accept listing only 8 of the 10 import restrictions. Tokyo needs more time to study the implications of the report, he added.

Michael Samuels, the U.S. delegate, said later, "Japan would not accept the panel report at this meeting. There is a lot of unhappiness in Washington about this."

The 10 items are dairy, fruit and processed meat goods. Mr. Hatano said Japan could not accept removing the restrictions on two items: starch and evaporated milk.

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WASHINGTON —A group led by Robert M. Bass, a Texas inves-tor, said it has raised its stake in Macmillan Inc., the New York-based publisher, to 8.8 percent from 7.5 percent. In a Securities and Exchange Commission filing on Wednesday, Mr. Bass did not amend his previ-

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# **World Bank Irks Romania**

VIENNA — Romania has threatened to suspend repayment of its \$1.9 billion debt to the World Bank but has pledged to respect obligations to other creditors, it was reported Thursday. Romania's total hard-currency debt is between \$5 billion and \$6 billion.

The official Agerpres news agency, reporting on a meeting of Romania's parliamentary finance committee, said the body had assailed World Bank credit conditions as prejudicial to Romania.

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The panel had met to discuss Romania's relations with the International Bank for Reconstruction and Development which, with the International Development Association, makes up the World Bank. It criticized the IBRD's "discriminatory practice" of increasing

debtor nations' debt repayments to account for currency fluctuations. Agerpres said this had raised Romania's current debt to the World Bank by about \$250 million. "It was asked that no more payments be made to IBRD until all the issues with that body have been cleared entirely," Agerpres said. "At the same time Romania will work to pay in due time all its dues to the banks and financial institutions which do not resort to such unjust, inequitable practices."

In Washington, a spokesman for the World Bank declined to comment on the move.

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loan, Mr. Nisimi recently started to earn the high interest. construction of a four-story, \$850,000 building that will hold offices, retail stores and apartments.

For his personal borrowing needs, largely home improvement, Mr. Fansi belongs to a tontine made up of friends with similar low-return capital needs. Due to lower demand for capital, interest

This capital market has become so sophisticated that some enter-prising Bamileke "buy money" from rural tontines at low interest rates and then "resell" the money in Douala Cameroon's commercial capital, at higher interest rates.

Similar to Americans spreading 13 percent Inflation is about 13 their money between money mar-kets and saving accounts, Camer-are also subject to a 10 percent tax, oonian investors will spread their while tontine earnings go unrecordmoney between tontines.

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The more advantageous rates of-"I made 47 percent interest in one tontine last year," said Mr. fered by tontines can be traced to Fansi of a high-yield tontine contheir lack of overhead, their ability sisting largely of import-export to set rates according to supply and merchants. Knowing that he could demand and their high repayment never afford to borrow at the mer- record.

### SAVE: In Cameroon, Traditional Tontines Outperform Banks — But Default Means Disgrace

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Several years ago, several Bamileke traders committed suicide because they realized that they could not make their tontine payments. The bylaws of one tontine, Njange 85 of Bamenda, reveal a strictly regulated system.

"A fine of 1,000 francs will be

paid per minute of lateness" to the monthly meeting, the bylaws read.

Other fines are levied for "rowdy and unruly conduct," for bringing visitors, and for paying the month-ly quota in small bills.

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minate with expulsion of any member who is 24 hours late in his

payment.
"I have customers who call up

officials lead campaigns against the tontines. They argue that tontines are tribalist, a way of evading taxes and a drain on the banking sector. But the tontines remain legal and Cameroonians rarely take the campaign seriously. They assume that most government officials are

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# **Dollar Rises on European Rate Cuts**

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But dealers added that the dollar emained under pressure from market participants who believe that the Reagan administration is ready. to let the dollar fall further to cut the U.S. trade imbalance.

Even so, the rate moves fueled hopes of increased international monetary coordination, specifically a new meeting of the Group of Seven major industrial countries to stabilize currency rates.

Robert Hatcher, a trader at Barclays Bank in New York, said the market still believed the dollar would fall further. But he said many dealers were hedging because they felt "the likelihood of a G-7

meeting has increased."
The dollar closed higher in New York, near the day's best levels, with the market focusing on the Bundesbank's cut of 0.50 percentage point to a 2.5 percent discount rate. The U.S. currency rose to 1.6625 Deutsche marks, up more than 1.5 pfennigs from 1.6460 on

Wednesday.

Aside from the Bundesbank, central banks in Britain, France, the Netherlands, Austria, Switzer-

rency more attractive. But the U.S. currency only rose slightly against the yen; the Bank of Japan has repeatedly stated it would not cut its 2.5 percent discount rate as part of coordinated

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reductions elsewhere. The dollar closed at 132.75 yen, up from 132.45 on Wednesday. Seth Cohen, a currency trader with Midland Bank's New York office, said the most common

trades on Thursday were orders selling marks and buying yen. The dollar also rose to 1.3585 Swiss francs from 1.3465 and to is more political than economic." 6.6510 French francs from 5.5930. The British pound slipped to \$1.8035 from \$1.8200.

London Dollar Rates

Many dealers said they believed that the Reagan administration was not fully committed to stabilizing the dollar because it fears that the higher interest rates that would support the currency also would

Source : Reuter,

create a recession. At the same time, they said, the dollar needs to fall further to effectively reduce the U.S. trade deficit. The next U.S. trade figures, for October, are due Thursday. In London, the dollar closed

M-1 Up \$3.3 Billion in Week

Reuters NEW YORK - M-1, the narrowest measure of the U.S. money supply, rose \$3.3 billion to a seasonally adjusted \$759.5 billion in the week ended Nov. 23, the Federal Reserve said Thursday. The previous week's M-1 level was revised to \$756.2 billion from \$756.1 billion. M-1 includes currency, check-

ing deposits and travelers checks.

higher at 1.6585 DM, slightly above Wednesday's closing of 1.6530 DM but a full prennig above the fixing earlier in Frankfurt at 1.6465 DM. The Frankfurt fixing came before the Bundesbank cut its discount rate.

On Wednesday, the dollar was fixed at 1.6575 in Frankfurt.

The dollar closed barely changed in London against the yen, at 132.85 against 132.80 Wednesday. It edged higher to 1.3595 Swiss francs, however, from 1.3525 and to 5.6415 French francs from 5.6198.

Earlier in Paris, before the rate cuts were announced, the dollar had been fixed lower, at 5.6070 French francs from 5.6330 on Wednesday. In earlier European trading, the

dollar closed in Zurich at 1.3585

Swiss francs, up from 1.3530 on Wednesday. The British pound ended in London at \$1.8060, down from \$1.8120 Wednesday, but remained firm at 2.9952 DM, against 2.9960 on Wednesday. Dealers reported that the Bank of England intervened at around 2.9987 DM to stop the

pound from rising through the 3

## **GNP** Rises 0.5% in West Germany

WIESBADEN, West Germany -The West German gross national product provisionally rose an inflation-adjusted 0.5 percent in the third quarter of 1987 from the sec-

ond quarter, the Federal Statistics Office said Thursday. Compared with the third quarter of last year, GNP rose 1.4 percent. The figures were also adjusted for

seasonal and calendar variations. A spokesman for the statistics office said that excluding the adjustment for calendar factors, GNP rose 1.5 percent from the second

The 0.5 percent expansion was slower than in the second quarter, when GNP rose an adjusted 1.5 percent from the first quarter. Excluding calendar adjustments, the second-quarter gain was 1 percent. The year-to-year growth in the second quarter was 0.8 percent.

The office said that the growth in GNP, which measure's the nation's year earlier. total output of goods and services, was supported mainly by domestic

demand. Exports increased only

slightly.

Mushtaq Shah, an economist at UBS-Philips & Drew in London, said that the quarter-to-quarter growth was stronger than expected. Many economists had expected the ports registered a strong 4.0 per-rise in GNP, without calendar adjustment, to be around 0.5 percent, compared with the 1.5 percent pub-

lished Thursday.

Mr. Shah noted that the industrial production figure for September had been sharply revised Wednesday to a 2.2 percent decline from a provisional 3.6 percent drop.

The statistics office did not give data comparing the third quarter with the second quarter of 1987 for the various components of the GNP, but it did provide year-10-

year comparisons.

Private consumption rose an inflation-adjusted 3.2 percent in the third quarter from a year earlier. That compared with a 2.3 percent rise in the second quarter from a

Third-quarter state consumption rose 1.3 percent year-to-year after in Nuremberg.

second-quarter growth of 1.2 per-

Exports of goods and services cent year-to-year gain in the third quarter after stagnating in the sec-

ond quarter. The Economics Ministry said that the growth figures showed that the economy was expanding in line

with official targets. "In the first three quarters of 1987 together, GNP rose a real 1.5 percent from the same 1986 period," the ministry said. "The result is in line with government expectations, which see an average real 1987 GNP growth of 1.5 to 2 per-

In another report released Thursday, the government reported that unemployment rose in November. The number of people out of work rose to 2.13 million in November from 2.09 million in October, the Federal Labor Office said (Remers, AFP)

Rise on Word

Of Agreement Reuters LONDON - Cocoa prices in London firmed sharply on Thursday on news that cocoaproducing nations had approved a price support package or an international pact to sta-

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Cocoa for delivery in March rose to a session high of £1,102 (\$1,984) a ton from £1.091 pounds at midday. Prices were

bilize slumping prices, traders

Cocoa Prices

recently at five-year lows. The package was being presented to consumer nations at an International Cocoa Organi-zation Council meeting Thursday evening in London.

The ICCO tries to keep prices level by buying from a huge stockpile when prices are low and by selling from it when prices are high.

#### RATE: Bundesbank and Other European Banks Join in Coordinated Cuts

(Continued from Page 1) rate by 0.50 percentage point to 8.5

percent Just minutes after the Bundesbank discount-rate cut was announced, the Bank of France low-ered its intervention rate by 0.25 percentage point to 7.75 percent and cut the rate on the allocation of liquidity through seven-day repurchase agreements by 0.25 point to 8.25 percent.

Over the course of the afternoon, four other West European central banks followed suit.

The striking fact is that all these European interest rate cuts have come without a G-7 meeting, showing that it was in the self-interest of each of these countries to act," said mist with National Westminster Bank PLC.

"The Europeans have done their part for now," he said. "Any deal to be struck is now between the U.S.

further market-opening measures and additional fiscal reflation, and the United States giving its assur-ances on dollar-yen exchange rate stability at the 120 to 135 yen lev-

"What may trigger a G-7 meeting," Mr. Brown added, "is further upward pressure on the yen, and the speculative spotlight will now turn to the Japanese currency."

The yen's rise in recent weeks has been braked only by massive intervention by the Bank of Japan and by major sales of Japanese equities by foreign investors, he said.

Chancellor Helmut Kohl of West Germany said in a statement released in Bonn, "Lower German interest rates and stronger German domestic demand help our foreign partners solve their economic problems, as has been the case in the

He apparently was referring to council members were opposed to

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growth to help ease global trade a G-7 meeting." imbalances.

Mr. Baker said, "These interest

rate cuts, together with the measures announced yesterday by the Federal Republic of Germany. should help to strengthen growth in Europe and reduce trade imbalances." Bonn announced a package of measures Wednesday to stimu-

Senior Frankfurt banking sources said that the nations cutting rates were motivated largely by political factors.

"There was tremendous pressure from Bonn on the Bundesbank for a discount-rate reduction," a source said. "There were virtually no convincing arguments for it from a purely market, technical

and Japan — with Japan offering Mr. Baker's repeated demands for it. They felt it wasted ammunition faster West German economic that could have been better used at

> In other European moves, the Netherlands cut its three key official interest rates by 0.25 percentage point, lowering the discount rate to 3.75 percent from 4 percent. The Dutch central bank's secured loans rate was cut to 4.25 percent from 4.5 percent and the promis-sory notes rate to 4.75 percent from 5 percent.

Switzerland lowered its discount rate to 2.5 percent from 3 percent and its Lombard rate to 4 percent from 4.5 percent. Austria also cut its discount and Lombard rates by 0.50 percentage point to 3 percent and 4.5 percent

Late in the day, Belgium cut its discount rate to 7 percent from 7.25 percent, and its advances rate, the equivalent of a Lombard rate, to 7.25 percent from 7.5 percent.

#### rates, theoretically making dollar assets and pergram also cut key ASSESS: Dollar Support Not Major Focus, Analysts Say (Continued from Page 1)

"if the Germans are showing more flexibility" on economic policy matters "it's because they're being prodded by their European part-

Analysts are agreed that the coordinated rate cuts are designed to give a number of signals: that the Europeans value and mean to implement international cooperation, and that Western Europe is responding to U.S. calls to boost ∞c-

But, Mr. Potts said, "The signal Mr. Marris agreed, noting that "lower interest rates won't do much to stimulate domestic growth."

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But on the political front, Mr. pact that is expected to have on Potts said, the move is "a demonstration" to the foreign exchange

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to defend Europe's exchange rates. Analysts are not very sanguine that this is likely to persuade the United States to join in stabilizing currency markets. A new commitment from Washington is regarded as unlikely so long as U.S. officials are not prepared for a rise in their own interest rates to make the dol-

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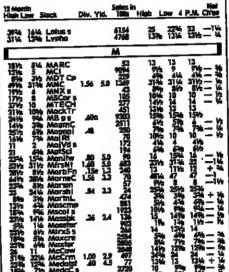
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of the question. "Washington is like Disney-land," said Arnold Simkin, an

However, Mr. Simkin forecast that seasonal year-end demand for Brendan Brown, a senior econodollars should help to stabilize the currency during the month. After that, he said, the dollar could again come under downward pressure.



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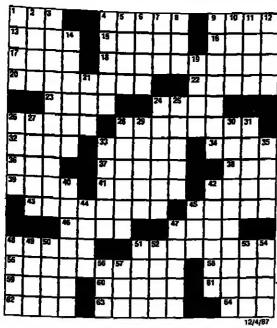
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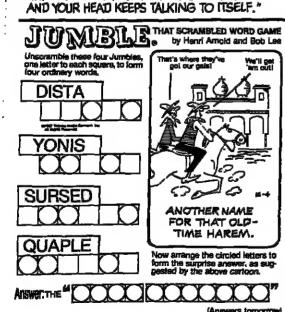
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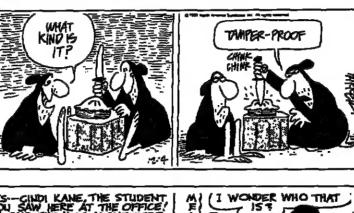
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**BOOK BRIEFS** 

THE TOMMYKNOCKERS. By Stephen King. The Putnam Publishing Group Inc., 200 Madison Avenue, New York, N. Y. 10016. Early on in this new novel from the king of contemporary horror fiction, a writer of pulp westerns modifies her battered Underwood manual typewriter (under the guidance of an

alien presence from space) with four D-cell batteries and a radio circuit board so that she can simply think the words onto the paper.
Relieved of the tedium of typing, she writes a
400-page novel in three days, much of it while
she sleeps. Given the number of his novels and
the regularity with which he publishes them, one wonders whether Stephen King might not also have a "thought writer" at his disposal. Readers of "The Tommyknockers" only get to read the first four paragraphs of "The Buffa-lo Soldiers," the novel by Roberta (Bobbi) Anderson, the hapless writer who discovers an

Anderson, the hapless writer who discovers an alien spaceship in the woods near her Maine farmhouse. But four paragraphs is enough, for "The Buffalo Soldiers" just isn't very good. In that regard, it's got a lot in common with "The Tommyknockers," which isn't very good either. It might have been; somewhere inside this bloated, self-indulgent hulk of a novel is a tant thriller, tribute perhaps to low-budget science fiction movies of the 1950s and '60s like "Invasion of the Body Snatchers." The pity is that sion of the Body Snatchers." The pity is that King never less that tant thriller get out.

For the most part, King's work — whatever its lack of subulety — has always been pos-

sessed of energy and power, "The Tommy-knockers" presents evidence that King has begun to take himself seriously in the worst way. (David Nicholson, WP)

VOYAGER. By Jeana Yeager and Dick Rutan, with Phil Patton. Alfred A. Knopf, 201 East 50th Street, New York, N. Y. 10022. Has it really been less than a year since much

of the world traced the progress of Voyager around the globe, watching it inch across those maps on the evening news? We crossed our fingers as Dick Rutan and Jeana Yeager squeezed north of cyclone Marge, skirted for-bidden Vietnam and Cambodia, and threaded through appalling weather over Africa. We shuddered when we learned of the heart-stopping engine failure near Cabo San Lucas, when the airplane dropped from 8,000 feet to 3,500

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ROOM ASTOUNDING feet before power was regained. And then we marveled when they were safely home, having seized in spectacular fashion the last many aviation record left — the "last first" — a neastop flight around the world without refueiting.

"Voyager" is the gripping account of this extraordinary accomplishment, from designer Burt Rutan's first Voyager sketches on a napkin, through the frustrating and fruitiess scarch for funding, the decision by Dick and Jeana to build it anyway, with their own hands and those of volunteers: the slow accretion of support, a little from here, a little from there, the brushes with catastrophe as the radical design revealed its minor flaws and its major vicings streak; the testing and improvements and. nally, the flight itself.

Phil Patton has done an outstanding job of cementing Rutan's and Yeager's story into a cohesive and highly readable whole. High drama and raw emotion are laced through a narrative that's processable technical, but never hard tive that's necessarily technical, but never hand (Junet Guthric, WT) to understand.

BUTTERFLIES AND LATE LOVES: The Further Travels And Adventures of a Victorian Lady. By Margaret Fountaine. Edited by W.F. Cater. Salem House, Merrimack Publishers Circle, 47 Pelham Road, Salem, N.H. 03079.

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Margaret Fountaine's life history is a vigorous argument in favor of the theory. Born in England in 1862, she died in 1940 on a mountain-side in Trinidad. Between the beginning and the end, she roamed the earth with ungovernable enthesian. ble enthusiasm, living rough, capturing about 20,000 species of butterfly, and loving many

Her butterfly collection went at her death to an English museum and with it a tin box containing diaries kept since 1878 in an unfai-teringly clear hand. Their content, when they were examined, proved so extraordinary that excerpts covering her first five decades were published as "Love Among the But at 50, Fountaine had hardly got into her stride. Thirty more years of adventure and passion lay before her. There the present diagrams of the present diagrams of the present diagrams of the present diagrams." ries begin.

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Her first wanderings, made possible by a small annual income, were undertaken to heal a broken heart; one of her consolations thereafter was to do some heartbreaking of her own. In this she had some success, throughout Europe and the Middle East, where besides lovers she collected butterflies with equal zeal.

There had been moments when she won-dered why she wasn't like the well-dressed women she sometimes saw in hotels, mothers and grandmothers of happy children: "I levest the wild life i had chosen, but sometimes I fel. a longing for what my fate might have been otherwise." The zest with which she lived up to the last moment, however, renders that longing superfluous. She sometimes dreamed that she was young again, but didn't mind waking to find herself an old woman — a remarkable one, however, one who walked 12 miles the day after her 71st birthday and on a cold day ran three miles in 31 minutes to keep warm.

#### BRIDGE

By Alan Truscott

T HE custom of the Ameri-League, and its forerunner, the American Bridge League, has been to elect a new president

1986 only two of those presi-dents, Peter Leventritt and the late Don Oakie, represented winners to reach this ending: late Don Oakie, represented the United States in a Bermuda Bowl world team champi-

onship, and when they did so they did not hold office.

This year the president is Bob Wolff of Dallas, and he not only competed in the world event in Jamaica recently but also helped his team retain the title. And by a re-markable coincidence he found himself opposed in the final by the president of the British League, Raymond Brock. The British president, sitting South, did well on the diagramed deal against his opposite number, sitting East.

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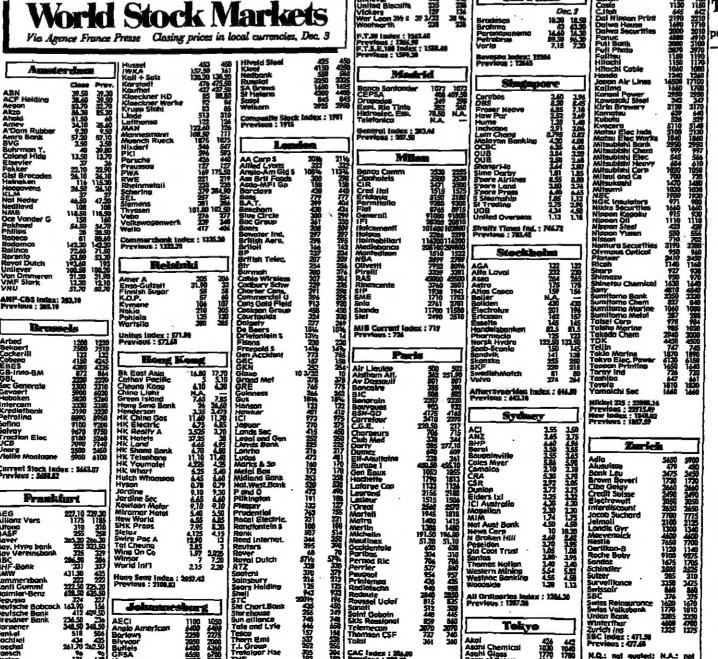
NORTH

By Alan Truscott

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# It Will Be a 2-Yacht Cup Race in '88, With Storms Already Brewing

By Angus Phillips

Washington Past Service
WASHINGTON — It's official. There will be a two-boat race for the America's Cup next

be a two-boat race for the America's Cup next summer, though no one knows exactly when and the cupholder. Dennis Conner, won't say where, or what his boat may look like.

Conner's defense organization, Sail America Foundation, announced Wednesday in San Diego that, against its will, it will honor a court order and meet New Zealand merchant banker Michael Fay's challenge in a series of three races for yachting's crown jewel.

Unless there's a delay, which Sail America said it won't seek, racing will begin in late August. But Sail America's executive vice president, Thomas F. Ehman Jr., said the site could be anywhere in the world and won't be announced until 90 days before the first race is to begin. He said that to compete against the huge

A to the same sloop Fay is building, which measures 90 feet (27.4 meters) at waterline, Conner may build several potential defenders in a variety of radical styles, including hydrofoils and multihulls. And, he said, Conner won't name his racing boat until the day competition begins.

The announcements sparked an immediate, irate response from Fay in Auckland, where he said that Sail America is trying to "jimmy the

rules" to ensure a victory.
"We have an expectation as the challenger, and the world has one, too, that San Diego Yacht Club representing the United States will contest this match fair and square," Fay said. "Sail America doesn't have to nominate its

boat until some mutually agreed-on time before the first race. We agree on that. But that boat will be the same class of boat that the challenger has nominated for the event, and not a Wind-

course on its home waters.

"To change the venue to anything else requires the mutual consent" of the challenger, he said. ["We do not have to and never will have to race under the conditions set by Sail America." Fay told The New York Times by telephone. [He said that, as challenger, he had the right

[Both sides indicated they would return to court if no compromise was reached.] Fay's boat is tailored to the light airs off San Diego. If Sail America decided instead to race off stormy Hawaii or someplace similar, Fay's chances would shrivel.

Under the challenge, which follows the anti-quated wording of the 100-year-old cup's Deed of Gift, New Zealand is committed to bringing a sloop 90 feet long on the waterline, the size boat Vanderbilts and Liptons used to race for the cup back in the early 1900s. What might Conner counter with?

Moreover, said Fay, under his understanding of the rules, the defending club must pick a course on its home water. like New Zealand's.

"They've told us what they're bringing. Now it's up to us to come up with something better, and there are very few rules. That's the fun part." He said Sail America could decide on a twinhulled catamaran or a small, superlight planing hull that could run away from New Zealand's

Ehman also said that Sail America will race only against New Zealand, which would exclude all other challengers.

to set the class of boat to be used, and that issues such as when and where the race is to be held should be mutually agreed upon.

beavier, traditional keel design. Ehman said several designs might be built, from oversized Windsurfers to buff housed the ruling. But Ehman said "we don't want any more legal work. We're tired of the court stuff."

S12 billion to the city, vowed Tuesday to appeal the ruling of the rulin rans or bluff-bowed, flat-bottomed scows.

Sail America was backed into a corner by a New York State Supreme Court finding last week that Fay's unexpected challenge on July 15 was valid. Justice Carmen B. Ciparick, whose court has overseen the Deed of Gift for a century, ordered the San Diego Yacht Club to either meet the challenge or forfeit the cup.

Sail America had intended to stage a multi-national cup regatta in 1991 of San Diego, with up to 21 challengers sailing 12-meters, the yacht of choice for the last 30 years.

But Fay, after rereading the Deed of Gift with his attorney while waiting for San Diego to make its intentions known, concluded that it was a challenger's right to demand a race any time, as long as he named a boat no bigger than 90 feet on the waterline and gave 10 months' notice.

Fay did just that, the San Diegoans ignored him, Fay went to court and Ciparick's ruling last week vindicated him.

The San Diego city council, reeling at the possibility of losing an event worth an estimated

We're sorry it got dragged into court.

He added that "we want a proper race for everyone that's interested in 1991, not just one for beer barons and investment bankers. That's what we want, but first we have to settle this other challenge.

Ehman said that in the next several months his group will try to have the Deed of Gift amended to preclude another surprise challenge of the sort Fay raised. Meantime, he said, there is a yacht race to win.

"New Zealand has the advantage of surprise and they have a head start," he said, noting that Fay's boat is already under construction in

Auckland and due for completion March 27. "We have the advantage of choosing our weapon and the place."

■ Lexcen: 'Chicken-Hearted' Americans The Australian boat designer, Ben Lexcen, said

Gilbert Just Masters Connors;

be changed to a spastic canary" following the San Diego Yacht Club's decision to allow only New Zealand to challenge for the America's Cup, United Press International reported from Sydney.

Lexcen, designer of the famed winged keel that won the 1983 cup for Alan Bond of Australia, said that "if they won't let us sail, we will hold our own World Cup next year."

Lexcen is building a 90-foot boat for Bond as part of what was planned to be a challenge next year. Groups in Britain, Japan and France, as well as Australia and New Zealand, were thought to be planning to build 90-footers, and before the New York Supreme Court ruling the San Diego Yacht Club had received 21 foreign challenges for a 1991 cup defense in 12-meter yachts.

"The decision smacks of 300 million people in the most technologically advanced place in the world being dead scared of three million sheep farmers," Lexcen said.

John Longley, a spokesman for the Alan Bond America's Cup Challenge Syndicate, said that Bond "was as mad as hell" and would do angrily Thursday that Americans are "chicken-hearted" and that the "bald eagle emblem should against the San Diego decision.

## **SPORTS BRIEFS**

#### Allem Leads in Million-Dollar Golf

SUN CITY, South Africa (AP) — Fulton Allem of South Africa, the least-known entry in the eight-man field, shot six-under-par 66 Thursday for a one-stroke lead after the first round of the winner-take-all Million

Dollar Challenge, the biggest prize in the history of golf.

Ian Woosnam of Wales, this year's top money-winner on the European tour, was at 67. Nick Faldo of Britain, the reigning British Open champion, and José-Maria Olazabal of Spain were at 68, with Bernhard Langer of West Germany and David Frost of South Africa at 70. Trailing were the two Americans: Lanny Wadkins with 71 and Curtis Strange, the leading money-winner on the U.S. tour this year, with 72.

The tournament, which also offers \$50,000 for each day's low round, is being played in Bophuthatswana, which South Africa considers independent but is not recognized abroad. The winner's check awarded Sunday will equal the total yearly earnings of about 1,500 Bophuthatswanans, whose average annual income is equivalent to \$670.

#### Bird Sets Celtic Free-Throw Mark

· BOSTON (UPI) - Larry Bird scored 34 points and extended his consecutive free-throw streak to a team-record 59 while leading the Boston Celtics to a 130-99 rout Wednesday night that gave the New Jersey Nets their seventh straight loss.

Bird made six foul shots in the game to surpass Bill Sharman's 31-year-old mark of 55. That put Bird third all-time in the National Basketball Association, with Calvin Murphy holding the record with 78 straight and Rick Barry second with 60.

Boston's Kevin McHale, who was out the first month of the season while recovering from foot surgery, scored 23 points in his first start.

#### For the Record

Quotable

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Bob Charles, on the advantages

Two Marsellie rugby players, Philippe Roth, the playing coach, and Louis Gil, have been charged with involuntary homicide in the death of an opponent, Dominique Leydier of Monteux; after a fight at the end of the match Nov. 15, Leydier died as a result of blows to the head that led to a heart attack.

Benfica, Portugal's soccer champion, which fired Danish manager Ebbe Skovdahl last Saturday, has put assistant Antonio Oliveira Tom in charge for the rest of the season. Tom, 41, who spent 13 years with Benfica as a player, has been assistant to five foreign managers in the past

Victor Pecci, Paraguay's top ranked tennis player, underwent back surgery on a ruptured disc and will not represent his country in Davis Cup play against Czechoslovakia

elf golling left-handed: "No one The Associated Press NEW YORK — Don Mattingly, mess you up with advice." (LAT) the New York Yankees slugging first baseman, will be one of the

Griggs on the University of Texas: highest-paid major league players "If Texas played the University of for the next three years, earning \$6.7

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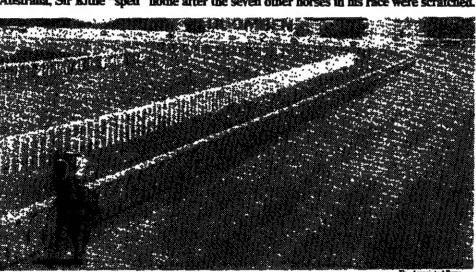
(LAT) a contract he is about to sign.

Note Dame football coach, Lou Holtz, on when he's going to open up the offense: "We'll throw and that only minor matters re-

more as soon as we catch more than mained to be worked out.



NO CONTESTS - Bobby Frankham, a British light-heavyweight whose bout was stopped when he was knocked down twice in the first round at Wembley, had to be restrained Wednesday night after twice punching referee Richie Davies. In Brisbane, Australia, Sir Kittle "sped" home after the seven other horses in his race were scratched.



Yanks, Mattingly Agree on \$6.7 Million Pact, Not Racquetball

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Steinbrenner, who has steadfastly

at a level others aspire to.

So even in defeat Wednesday night in the first round of the Na-

to No. 4 ranking in the world. "I had a very good year over all," he said, "but maybe I can go a step further." That might have to wait until next year. Connors must play Boris Becker and Ivan Lendl in his next two matches.

Pat Cash of Australia didn't

like his 6-4, 4-6, 6-1 loss to

Stefan Edberg of Sweden.

Wilander of Sweden beat Miloslav Mecir of Czechoslovakia, 6-4, 6-1.

Connors is 35, a point belabored only because it makes his achieve-

ments this year more remarkable.

He has not won a tournament in

three years, but, through consistent

play, he moved back up the ladder

best the game has ever seen, kept him in his match against Gilbert. the first set alone. When Connors was broken again, on a double fault in the third game of the second set, the match looked all but over.

Connors even led the tie breaker, 5-3, before he made two errors on backhand volleys to give Gilbert another chance. "I felt fortunate," Gilbert said. "If we went to a third set, the crowd gets behind him more and I'm looking uphill." This has been Cash's best year,

although tennis fans in the United States have not seen him at the top of his game because he had a letdown after winning Wimbledon that resulted in a first-round loss in the U.S. Open. "I was sick and tired at the open," he said. "I was running around like a maniac."

venated Cash, who had a busy fall earning enough grand-prix points to qualify for his first Masters.

"It's tough to keep yourself going at the end of the year," he said, but I've been playing well and feel I can give a good account of myself.

#### **Double Fault Halts Cash Rally** Playing in the Masters has always been a goal in my life."

By Peter Alfano

New York Times Service NEW YORK - Sometimes it seems that the day Jimmy Connors retires will also be the day when all those street corner prophecies about the end of the world or California sliding into the Pacific Ocean will be fulfilled. The open era of tennis is 20 years old and Connors has been round for most of them, still playing

bisco Masters tournament, Connors played like an old song, and almost everyone in Madison Square Garden knew the lines. Connors highstepped around the court, he minicked his opponent, Brad Gilbert, and he chatted with the crowd, invoking shouts of "Go, Jimbo."

And it wasn't a bad show, given

that Connors was suffering from a cold and interrupted his vacation to be here. "I haven't played for seven and a half weeks," he said. "This is my vacation time when I want to get away from tennis to heal mentally and physically. I want to stop my tennis in October." Still, he made it a more stressful

night than Gilbert should have had. "Jimmy makes you work." Gilbert said after his 6-4, 7-6, victory. "He wasn't on tonight, but if you give Jimmy a chance, he'll bury you." In other first-round matches in this round-robin event, Stefan Edberg of Sweden defeated Pat Cash

of Australia, 6-4, 4-6, 6-1, and Mats

His return of serve, probably the

guage — things like the fact I can't play basketball and I can't play basketball and I can't play football," Martingly said. "The one thing I'm trying to have left is to play racquetball."

In one season. Outfielder Dave way." But, he said, he felt an obligation to Mattingly after the Atlanta from the Atlanta play racquetball. Braves signed outfielder Dale Murtingly after the Atlanta from the Atlanta play to a three-year, \$6 million contract when he joined the team in 1981, but his annual salary has not yet reached \$2 million.

The Associated Press reported.

Joining Hernandez on the National League team, chosen in a poll of major-league managers and He was trailing, 5-3, only one game from detest, when Connors walked to the baseline, mumbling, "I've got him right where I want him." It got a laugh from some of the fans at courtside, but Connors coaches, were second baseman Ryne Sandberg of Chicago, shortstop Smith and third baseman Terry Penalmost made it more than a throwaway line. He held serve to make it 5-4, then broke a jittery Gilbert to even the set.

But some rest and relaxation reju-

Edberg also has had his best year, moving up to No. 2 in the rankings. He began the year with a victory against Cash in the final of the Australian Open. He felt he had an advantage Wednesday night because this was his third Masters. Both players are pure serve-and-

volleyers and there wasn't much to choose between them until the 10th game of the first set. Cash had lost only three points on his serve until then, but was broken to lose the set when he made two errors in the backcourt, then slapped a backhand volley wide.

Now it was Edberg's turn to blunder. Serving to start the second set, he relaxed a bit and was promptly broken. That was all Cash needed as his strong serve

carried him the rest of the set. That serve, though, was also his undoing. Edberg broke Cash in the fourth game of the final set when the Australian double-faulted on break point. Edberg broke again in the sixth game, hitting three backband winners, among them a running backhard down the line that had Cash shaking his head in disbelief.

Edberg closed out the match impressively, winning one exchange of reflex volleys with a forehand winner into the open court. On match point, he switched from power to finesse, placing a backhand voiley winner carefully down the line.

#### No Bird-Brain It: Kingdome's Come

The Associated Press SEATTLE — A sea gull re-leased inside the Kingdome during a Seattle Seahawks football game is unwilling to be evicted.

The bird, with blue and green

Seahawks-colored streamers attached to its tail, was released after a Seattle touchdown during Monday night's National Football League game against the Los Angeles Raiders. It flew several laps over the

field, then settled among some speakers in the domed stadium. Since, the dome vents have been left open, even the lights put on to help the gull find an open 38-foot (12-meter) door. It

won't go.
"He's in sea gull heaven." said Carol Keaton, a spokeswoman for the stadium. "He's got all the leftover peanuts and popocorn he can eat, he's got a partially cleaned stadium all to himself and is out of the cold and rain. He's the warmest, dry-

est sea gull anywhere." Still, she said, this weekend the Kingdome will be filled with young fans during the state high school football championships - and no place for a sea guil.

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#### AP 1987 All-America Team

WESTERN CONFERENCE

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#### George Steinbrenner, the Yankees' outspoken owner, later retorted that "he's not going to play racquetiball while he's playing for St. Louis Cardinals will get a base two million a year and when Mike two million a year and when Mike dieton of St. Louis, catcher Mike Schmidt gets that much money, how can I look Don Mattingly in LaValliere of Pittsburgh, pitcher Rick Reuschel of San Francisco and outfielders Eric Davis of Cincinnati,

the eye and tell him I'm being fair and not give him \$2 million a year?" Steinbrenner said. "He's the guy the players, his peers, voted as the No. 1 player in the game. Don Mattingly is a cor-

"When Atlanta signs Murphy to

nerstone player. The cornerstone of a team. Anybody in baseball would give a lot to get Don Mattingly." Since he joined the Yankess in 1983, Mattingly's salary has risen dramatically. He was paid \$45,000 as a rookie, received \$80,000 plus \$50,000 in bonuses in 1984. \$325,000 plus \$130,000 in bonuses in 1985, \$1,375 million in 1986 and

got \$1.975 million this year, after going to arbitration. It was the highest arbitration salary ever awarded. **■** Gold Gloves Awarded

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REGENCY NY

#### Andre Dawson of Chicago and Tony Gwynn of San Diego. Third baseman Gary Gaetti and

cutfielder Kirby Puckett of the world champion Minnesota Twins were on the American League team, with first baseman Mattingly of New York, second baseman Frank White of Kansas City, shortstop Tony Fernandez of Toronto, catcher Bob Boone of California, pitcher Mark Langston of Seattle and out-fielders Jesse Barfield of Toronto and Dave Winfield of New York.

Smith was chosen for the eighth straight year, while White won his eighth Gold Glove Award, tying the retired Bill Mazeroski for the most by a second baseman. The all-time leaders, with 16 each, are third baseman of the New York Mets, won man Brooks Robinson and pitcher

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# Home Away From Home

By Russell Baker Massachusetts, hearing sounds of desperation in the water that say: "The worst place in the world. lapped our rental house, I waded in The Middle West." lapped our rental house, I waded in and retrieved a fully clothed female person, age about 18. It was hard to tell whether she

had entered the water for self-destruction or because somebody told her swimming with clothes on was a good way to sober up. Whichever. it didn't work, for she was reasonably alive and far from sober. I wanted to get her back to

friends or family, so figuring they might be nearby I asked, Where She uttered loud anguished sobs

and said: "From the worst place. The worst place in the world." Aha, thought I, she means that

raucous saloon half a mile down Commercial Street, but what I said "Ohio," she said, and cried some

more, "I'm from Ohio."

tourist school of foreign policy. It holds that if top commissars can be hustled around the American sights, scales will fall from their eyes and, in love with democracy,

As usual, people who smoke this stuff are saying it's a pity to keep the Gorbachevs botled up in Washington. Washington isn't the United States, for Heaven's sake. It's just a place that presidents run against. Let the Gorbachevs see the in the Winnebago. No wonder they purple mountains' majesty, the amput up with tomb worship." purple mountains' majesty, the am-ber fields, the Disney amusement parks, the mighty this and the glit-tering that. Bring them to their knees before the glory of America.

It is my conviction that people who believe this think the Soviet Union is basically just the Middle West without California, Las Vegas. Florida or an Atlantic Seaboard. Further, it is my suspicion that Americans secretly dislike the Middle West. Yes, and that even Middle Westerners dislike the Middle West.

I suspect that if you took a Middle Westerner, put in a lot of bour-

bon and pushed her (or him) into N EW YORK —One dark night the ocean fully clothed, the rescued long ago in Provincetown, Middle Westerner, when asked where she (or he) came from, would

> Space limitations forbid presenting the mountain of evidence supporting this suspicion, so let's confine ourselves simply to the political record. This suggests that Americans hate the Middle West. It's been 40 years since a Middle Westerner (Harry Truman) was elected president. Since then many have run, and all have been beaten: Stevenson of Illinois, Humphrey of Minnesota, McGovern of South Dakota, Ford of Michigan, Mon-

Half the Americans who live on the two coasts and even in the bleak conditioned air of the so-called Sun was: "The worst place in the world? Belt originated in the Middle West and often hore you about its splendors, but you never hear of one going back, do you?

If my observation is correct, it The Gorbachevs' forthcoming means that most Americans, in-reaty-signing visit to Washington cluding Middle Westerners, think treaty-signing visit to Washington cluding Middle Westerners, think reminds me of that night. There is a of the Middle West as a vast, dull. drought-cursed, blizzard-battered flatland covered with corn, hogs and towns you'd hate to be in on

Saturday night.

Does that sound a little like the they will go back to Moscow saying: "So long, Grandfather Marx.

Bye-bye, V.I. Lenin."

Does mat sound a fittle fixe the way you've always thought of Russia? Fifty thousand miles of flat mess covered with blizzards and ocness covered with blizzards and occasional hogs and corn, and towns where a big night is finding an electronic bug in your borscht? Maybe you are thinking: "Those poor Russians with no California

> If so, you may think that a glamour tour of the United States for the big Leninists can change the grim Middle Western set of their minds and maybe encourage them to try for something a little more

to move to, no Florida to hit out for

The trouble is, Russians seem to like the Middle West more than Americans do. When Nikita Khrushchev toured America, what he enjoyed most was an lowa farm where he threw ears of corn at the press. Hollywood he hated. Tourng can never Americanize people like that.

New York Times Service

# Henry Roth's 50 Years of Writer's Block

By Morris Dickstein

HAD just finished interviewing Henry Roth, the author of "Call It Sleep," when a large, flat package was delivered to his New York hotel room. It was an advance copy of Roth's first book in 53 years, "Shifting Landscape," a collection of his shorter writings along with many excerpts from letters and interviews, assembled by his Italian translator, Mario Materassi.

Roth seemed to take it in stride, as if, by the age of 81, the appearance of a new book was no uncommon event for him. But the book, and my conversation with him, told a different story: five decades of agonizing conflict with writer's block, a career dotted with the signposts of many small victories and defeats, including what he has de-scribed as "an equivalent or approximate nervous breakdown" at the end of the 1930s, followed by long years of silence.

"Call It Sleep," a subjective, almost po-etic novel about growing up on the Lower East Side of New York in the early years of the century, was published in 1934 when Roth was only 28. Influenced by James Joyce and T.S. Eliot, the novel was modernist in method, biblical in cadence, yet intensely personal in its re-creation of family life and street life in the old Jewish

Though the book was fiercely defended and favorably reviewed by its admirers, Roth's publisher went bankrupt and he and his novel were forgotten until the book was revived to great acclaim and impressive sales in the 1960s.

Roth's appearance today is a study in contrasts. His large, impressive head, crowned by stray tutts of gray hair, rests on a stocky yet fragile-looking frame, stiff-ened by arthritis. His hands speak of years of hard labor, and his quietly modulated voice radiates dignity and reserve. Roth's tall, elegant, gray-haired wife, Muriel, a composer, rarely leaves his side, and she gently cut off the interview when she felt he might be tired.

Roth is his own severest critic. When we first spoke on the phone he worried that his new book might be "oversold, overinflated." He found it "a very meager output for 50-some odd years." Searching always for the exact word, he spoke of the book, "Shifting Landscape: A Composite, 1925-1987" (Jewish Publication Society), as if it were someone else's case study or dossier: "It impressed me quite objectively with the rather tragic thread -a trace went through it, I don't know whether it's frustration, a block, or what have you. It's a man fighting or serving his destiny. It had that overtone of a person too obdurate to give up." Ruefully, he added, "I wasn't satisfied. I should have had more wisdom, but I didn't, and



the book seems to reflect that kind of tragic

During a depressed period of complete withdrawal from writing during the 1940s, Roth worked as a toolmaker and an atten-dant in a mental hospital, and then, in the '50s and '60s, as a waterfowl farmer in Maine - raising and dressing ducks and geese - returning only gradually to wrest hard-earned sentences from the grasp of his private dybbuk. Meanwhile, his wife worked 17 years as a schoolteacher while caring for their two sons. Since 1968 the Roths have lived in a mobile home in Albuquerque, New Mexico. Yet, living in this relative obscurity, he began publishing stories and articles with increasing fre-

In retrospect, Roth's long-lasting block seems less remarkable than his refusal to yield to it, although he tells us that he once referred to himself as "this dead author," and even burned his journals and the manuscripts of several aborted novels in the 1940s. His first writing in 14 years -in 1954 - was a how-to-do-it article on cheap, homemade farm equipment, written for a trade journal, The Magazine for Ducks and Geese. Two years later "Call It Sleep" was praised in print by several crit-ics, none of whom knew whether the book's

author was still alive. A chance encounter with Roth's sister in the late '50s led one critic, Harold Ribalow. to Roth's doorstep in Maine in the late '50s, and to the resurrection of "Call It Sleep." Reissued in paperback in 1964, it went on to sell more than a million copies, permanently disrupting the anonymity of a man who could not write yet could not give

The belated success of the book enabled Roth and his wife to travel, but it also exacerbated the desire to write, as well as

His new 'Shifting Landscape' can only excite wonderment as an extraordinary record of an author's stubborn determination to rescue his talent.

what he calls the "counterdrive not to write," which threatened to make life hellish again. A projected novel set in Spain and Mexico never materialized, but in 1966 The New Yorker published "The Surveythe story of an American couple in Seville, searching for the site where Jews were burned during the Inquisition. It seems clear that Roth was unconsciously searching for a Judaism — and a writing life — he had left behind many decades

The turning point in that search, as he now sees it, came during the 1967 Arab-Israeli war, when the Roths were in Mexico. Long ago, Roth, like many writers who had seen the world break apart in the early years of the Depression, had joined the Communist Party. He was just finishing his novel, and he remembers the woman he lived with, Eda Lou Walton, a poet and English professor nearly 12 years his senior, telling him in anguish, "You are destroying yourself as an artist." Years later, stunned by Khrushcher's revelations about Stalin, Roth ceased being a party member, but in 1967 he "still adhered very much to party principles," including support for the Arab cause. As the war unfolded in the Middle East, he found himself torn between his political faith, which condemned Israel, and certain buried tribal loyalties

Roth's ideological orthodoxy crumbled. "It was with an enormous sense of guilt that I had to tear myself away," he told me with great emphasis. "We thought that communism would provide us with the answer." But in the end "it was a sterile move," he said, "It was a disaster." "Call It Sleep" is a classic portrayal of

the terrors of childhood, a tenement "Sons and Lovers" that sets the sensual warmth of the bond with the mother - and the mother tongue, Yiddish - against the fear and violence associated with the father and the external world.

Roth now believes the natural successor to "Call It Sleep" would have been a continuation of the boy's story into maturity, showing his discovery of a broader culture in the Greenwich Village ferment of the 1920s. But, as he writes in "Shifting Landscape." "it was never written because Marxism or communism fell like a giant shunt across his career." In old age, using a word processor, he has been writing a memoir-novel called "Mercy of a Rude Stream," a sequel to "Call It Sleep" which he feels he should have written in the 1930s. He has completed four volumes, but because some of them involve people still living he may not release them for publication in his lifetime.

Instead we have this brilliant mosaic constructed by Materassi, his translator, a book that Roth, in his self-effacing foreword, describes as "primarily Mario's, not mine," though Roth wrote or spoke nearly everything in it. It's typical of the ironies of his career that this biographical "composite" should come to us by way of Italy, where Materassi's translation of "Call It Sleep" won a literary prize as the best foreign novel of 1985, and where Roth was mobbed by newspaper reporters and paparazzi when he came to collect it.

Today, rediscovered as a classic in the United States, lionized in Italy where his book is a best seller, Henry Roth is very much a survivor. An Israeli filmmaker has taken an option on "Call It Sleep," and recently drove its author around the Lower East Side to search for remnants of a buried world. Cortisone and hip-replacement surgery have helped in his struggle with arthritis, and the computer has helped him get words on paper. Muriel Roth began composing again as her husband began writing, and for the last four years ("since I was 75," she said), she has been a serious composer for the first time in several de-

Whether or not Roth's current project, "Mercy of a Rude Stream," fulfills its high literary promise, the mere fact of longevity has helped supply a happy turn to the Roths' story. Aside from some of the fine pieces collected in it, "Shifting Landscape" can only excite wonderment as an extraordinary record of an author's stubborn determination to rescue his talent from the clutches of neurosis and the vicissitudes of

Morris Dickstein teaches English at Queens College and is working on a book about American culture in the 1930s. This is excerpted from an article he wrote for The New York Times Book Review. **PEOPLE** 

At Einstein Auction,  $E=mc^2=$1.1 Million$ 

Albert Einstein's carliest and longest known manuscript on relativity — an unpublished 72-page work probably written in 1911 or 1912 — was auctioned Wednesday at Sotheby's for \$1,155,000. The hand-written paper spelling out his famous E=mc<sup>2</sup> formula, was bought by an unidentified buyer in New York. The price was a record at auction for any manuscript sold in the United States and for any unillustrated text manuscript sold anywhere in the world,

Amy Carter says she does not plan to return to Brown University, but she hasn't decided on another school. "I think I want to go to a more Southern school, said the daughter of former President Jin my Carter and his wife, Rosslyn Carter, 20, said that she's been liv ing in Providence and working Boston, 50 miles away, since being asked to leave Brown this summer for neglecting her studies in favor of political activism.

The British double agent Ka Philby, who defected to the Sovie Union 24 years ago after betraying Western secrets to that country, ha denied he wants to return to Bri ain. Speaking in Russian in an in terview broadcast on Latvian tek vision, he said: "I am rejecting a inventions that I allegedly live ! poverty and crave to go back to th U.K." Tass news agency said Law an television showed him in Rig where he has been helping to mai a five-part documentary about what it called interference by Wes ern intelligence in the affairs of the Soviet Baltic republic.

Juliet Prowse, 51, bitten by leopard for the second time t year, had to be taken to a hosp for stitches, but was not serior injured. The attack occur Wednesday when Prowse walking with the 80-pound and named Sheila, at a studio in bank, California, where they to appear on "The Tonight S with Johnny Carson," her spo man said. The same leo nipped her playfully in Septe as she was rehearing for the annual "Circus of the Stars" t

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